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Order.

No. XIV, 1906.

The following is to be added to the table of fares for hire of Jinrickshas, Order No. I of 26th February 1896.

If engaged by time

For every hour .... 25 cents.

For every additional

½ hour .... 6 cents.

P. F. CUNYNGHAME,
Resident 1st Division.

Resident's Office,
Sarawak, 5th November 1906.

Order.

No. I, 1907.

Sailors signing "Articles" for a year and working on board Government vessels are not allowed in future to take their discharge or elect substitutes without first making application at the Resident's Office.

Certificates of discharge to sailors to be issued only by the Shipping Master.

See Order August 28th, 1899.

C. V. BROOKE,
Rajah Muda.

Kuching, Sarawak,
31st January, 1907.

Order.

No. II, 1907.

Whereas complaint has been made that Gutta Jangka is being brought into the market, adulterated with raw sago, clay and other foreign matter.

I hereby direct that any person or persons found guilty of the adulteration of Gutta Jangka or other jungle produce shall be punished by a fine not exceeding $100 or by imprisonment not exceeding six months, and the adulterated produce may be confiscated at the discretion of the Court.

Vide Order *re* Adulteration of Gutta Jelutong, 15th April, 1902.

C. V. BROOKE,
Rajah Muda.

Kuching, Sarawak,
31st January, 1907.

Notice.

No. LXI, 1906.

Re Bong Ngee Chin. *(Deceased.)* Trader in Shak Lung Mun Bazaar.

Probate having been granted to Hiew Ah

Jew, wife of deceased, all claims and monies owing to the said Estate should be sent to her.

E. R. STILWELL,
Resident, Upper Sarawak.

Bau,
5th December, 1906.

Notice.

No. LXII, 1906.

Re Tian Sip, chop Jee Kee. *(Absconded.)* Trader in Tundong Bazaar.

ALL creditors and other persons having any claim whatsoever against the Estate of the above named are hereby requested to send particulars thereof to the undersigned within three months from date, after which date the assets of the above named will be divided amongst the parties entitled thereto regard being had only to those claims of which notice shall have been given. And all monies owing to the above Estate shall be paid to the undersigned forthwith.

E. R. STILWELL,
Resident, Upper Sarawak.

Bau,
5th December, 1906.

Notice.

No. LXIII, 1906.

THE following sums now in deposit in the Court of Requests, Mukah, if not claimed on or before 31st March, 1907, will revert to Government.

For	From	
Hj. Daud	Lating	$1.60
Tari	Salleh Nor	3.50
Hj. Tahir	Taril	4.00
Hj. Rais	Dulamit	5.50
	Total	$14.60

A. E. LAWRENCE,
Magistrate, Court of Requests.

Notification.

No. LXIV, 1906.

Outstation Money Orders.

NOTIFICATION of 17th January 1906 is hereby cancelled and the following regulations are substituted and will come into force on 1st January 1907.

After receipt of the amount of the money order required and the commission (2 cents on every dollar or part of a dollar, with a minimum of 10 cents) Officers in charge of Outstations may issue cheques on the Sarawak Treasury for Money Orders on the following places or countries.

1. **Kuching** (maximum $100).*
2. **United Kingdom** (maximum £40) and through the United Kingdom on various **British Dependencies and Foreign countries.** (For maximum and other particulars see postal Guide.)†
3. **Straits Settlements** (maximum $100.)
4. **Federated Malay States** (maximum $100.)
5. **India** and through India on **Burma** and **Ceylon** (maximum Rs. 600.)

* 1. These orders are intended for payment of small accounts only and should not be issued to traders who may appear to be making use of them for their usual trade remittances.

† 2. Orders issued through the United Kingdom are subject to the following deductions in London when being advised to the country of payment.

For sums not exceeding £5 3d.
For every additional £5 or fraction thereof 3d.

No order may contain a fraction of a cent, of a penny or of an anna. Orders on or "through" the United Kingdom and India should be calculated in accordance with the tables supplied by the Post Office, *and the commission added.*

The cheques, accompanied by the special printed application form (Outstation Money Order application), should be drawn in favour of, and forwarded to, the Postmaster General, Kuching.

In the case of Money Orders (1) on Kuching, (2) on or through the United Kingdom and (3) on the Strait Settlements, an actual form of Money Order is issued for transmission to the payee and in order to avoid delay, and provided the application is accompanied by a fully stamped and addressed envelope, the Money Order will be forwarded to him direct by the Kuching Post Office at the remitter's risk; otherwise it will be sent to the Postal Officer applying.

The envelope *may* contain the remitters advice to the payee but the Post Office accepts no responsibility in case of loss and it is advisable to send it separately.

In the case of Money Orders on (4) the Federated Malay States and (5) on or through India no form of Money Order is issued to the remitter as the paying office issues and forwards a Money Order to the payee, and the above paragraph as to stamped and addressed envelope does not therefore apply.

A form of acknowledgment will be forwarded by the Kuching office to the Postal Officer applying, for transmission to the remitter who should retain same and advise the payee as to remittance.

By order of the Officer
Administering the Government.

C. C. ROBISON,
Postmaster-General.

1st January, 1907.

Notice.

No. LXV, 1906.

re Phoong Sam Choon. *(Deceased.)* Shareholder in the firm of chop Thoong On Thai. Trader in Bau Bazaar.

PROBATE having been granted to Ng Ah Lian, wife of deceased, and Chiew Fook the remaining partner, all claims and monies owing to the said Estate should be sent to them.

H. B. CROCKER,
Assistant Resident.

Bau,
December 19th 1906.

Notice.

No. LXVI, 1906.

FROM 1st January 1907 and until further Notice duties upon the undermentioned articles will be as follows:—

Fish Maws No. 1	per catty	.20	cts.
,, ,, 2	,, ,,	.15	,,
,, ,, 3	,, ,,	.10	,,
Gutta Jangkar	per picul	$1.50	,,
White Pepper	,, ,,	1.25	,,
Black Pepper	,, ,,	1.00	

By order of the Officer
Administering the Government.

C. C. ROBISON,
Superintendent of Customs.

21st December, 1906.

Notification.

No. LXVIII, 1906.

Post-Cards.

POST-CARDS impressed with a stamp of the value of one cent, and double or reply-paid Post-Cards impressed with a stamp of the value of one cent on each portion of them, may be transmitted between places in Sarawak. These cards can be forwarded to other places outside of Sarawak, if the additional postage required is supplied by means of postage stamps affixed to the cards.

Post-Cards impressed with a stamp of the value of 4 cents and double or reply paid Post-Cards impressed with a stamp of the value of 4 cents on each portion of them, may be sent to all parts of the world.

Private Post-Cards.

Private post-cards will be accepted by the Post Office in Sarawak for transmission under the following conditions :—

(a) Private post-cards must be composed of ordinary cardboard, or paper sufficiently stout not to hinder their manipulation; they must not exceed a maximum size of 5½ inches by 3½ inches, and the minimum size must not be less than 4 inches by 2¾ inches. Prepayment of a private Post-card addressed to any place in Sarawak, can be effected by means of a one-cent Sarawak postage stamp affixed to it ; and if addressed to any other destination prepayment can be effected by means of a Sarawak postage stamp or stamps for 4 cents affixed to it.

(b) Double or reply-paid private post-cards will be accepted, and postage can be prepaid by stamps affixed as stated above to each half of the double card.

(c) The inscription "Post-cards" is not compulsory for single post-cards of private manufacture, but the reply halves of private double cards must bear the title "Post-cards." In no case is any other heading prescribed.*

(d) A private Post-card posted without a postage stamp will be charged, on delivery, with double postage per single card or for each half of a reply card.

Rules Applying to Official and Private Post-Cards.

(1) Post-cards bearing written or printed communications on the left hand half of the address side can be sent to all British Possessions to which penny postage applies and to certain other countries already notified. It is not compulsory to affix the postage stamps to the address side, but the public is strongly urged to do so.*

(2) Engravings or advertisements, provided they do not interfere in any way with the clear indication of the address or with the stamping or marking of the Postal Service, may appear on the front of a card, in addition to the name and address of the recipient in writing or on a gummed label not exceeding 2 inches by 2 inch, and the name and address of the sender indicated in writing, or by means of a hand stamp, stamping machine or any other typographical process.

(3) In addition to stamps for prepayment Post-cards may bear address-labels as above described, and engravings, illustrations, drawings and photographs on very thin paper may be affixed to the back or to the left hand half of the address side, provided they are *completely* adherent.*

(4) A Post-Card must not be folded, cut or otherwise altered.

(5) Cards bearing the inscription "Post-card" are allowed to go at the reduced rate of postage for printed matter, provided they conform to the general regulations respecting printed papers. If they are not in accordance with the regulations for printed papers or with the rules applicable to Post-cards they are treated as letters.

(6) The sender of a reply-paid Post-Card is recommended to write his name and address on the stamped side of the reply portion of the double card. The reply halves of double Post-Cards are available for return to the country of origin, and to that country only. If addressed to other countries they are treated as unpaid Post-Cards.

(7) Ordinary international Post-Cards of one country posted in another are treated as unpaid Post-Cards.

* These regulations will apply to Post-Cards of all kinds whether addressed to places in the United Kingdom Sarawak, the Straits Settlements, Federated Malay States or Johore; but, although there is reason to believe that the same course will be generally adopted, no guarantee can at present be given that the same privileges will be allowed by the Post Offices of other Countries.

C. C. ROBISON,
Postmaster-General.

Notice.

No. I, 1907.

In *re* Jee See Kwee. Goldsmith in Shak Lung Mun Bazaar. *(Absconded).*

In *re* Jong Khiook, Chop Jong Khiook Hap. Trader in Shak Lung Mun Bazaar.

In *re* Jong Tsin Hin f. alias Lai Chin Hin f. and Jong Ngok, owners of pepper garden No. 84 B Chop Sin Faw Shoon at Singghi landing and two shop houses at Busau.

ALL creditors and other persons having any claims whatsoever against the Estates of the above named are hereby requested to send particulars thereof to the undersigned within three (3) months from date, after which date the assets of the above named will be divided amongst the parties entitled thereto, regard being had only to those claims of which notice shall have been given. And all monies owing to the above Estates shall be paid to the undersigned forthwith.

E. R. STILWELL,
Resident, Upper Sarawak.

Bau,
January 1st, 1907.

PUSTAKA SARAWAK

Notice.

No. II, 1907.

IN THE BANKRUPTCY COURT, KUCHING.

In the goods of Lim Sam Kwi, pepper planter of 1½ mile Rock Road. *(Absconded.)*

In the goods of Jong Nuik Lee, pepper planter of Simunggo. *(Absconded.)*

In the goods of Ng Pai, pepper planter of Simunggo. *(Absconded.)*

In the goods of Wong Uh, Dhobi, of Kuching. *(Absconded.)*

In the goods of Tian Joo Fai, Chop Tian Nyuk Lee, shopkeeper and pepper planter of Sungie Moyan. *(Fraudulent Bankrupt.)*

In the goods of Kuan Kiew and Kuan Lin, pepper planters of Paku. *(Absconded.)*

In the goods of Chong Peng, pepper planter of Sungie Tenga. *(Absconded.)*

In the goods of Liew Hee Kwee, pepper planter of Samarahan. *(Absconded.)*

All creditors and other persons having any claim whatsoever against the Estates of the above named are hereby requested to send particulars thereof to the undersigned on or before the 15th April, 1907, after which date the assets of the above named will be divided amongst the parties entitled thereto regard being had only to those claims of which notice shall have been given. And all moneys owing to the above Estates shall be paid to the undersigned forthwith.

JOHN E. A. LEWIS,
Resident 2nd Class.

Bankruptcy Court,
Kuching, 30th January, 1907.

Notice.

No. III, 1907.

Re Ngo Ah Hin. *(Deceased.)* Trader at Roban Bazaar, Kalaka.

ALL creditors and other persons having any claims whatsoever against the Estate of the above named are hereby requested to send particulars thereof to the undersigned within three (3) months from date, after which date the assets of the above named will be divided amongst the parties entitled thereto regard being had only to those claims of which notice shall have been given. And all monies owing to the above Estate shall be paid to the undersigned forthwith.

J. BARING-GOULD,
Resident 2nd Class.

Simanggang,
7th February, 1907.

Notice.

No. IV, 1907.

THE following sums now lying in the Paku Court of Requests Deposits, if not claimed within 3 months from date will revert to Government.

Depositor.	Payee.	
Lee Liong	Phang Koh	$ 3.00
Tsai Voo	Tsai Tin	22.00
Manyap	Foo Ah Foo	1.00
Thian Kian	Thoo Kim Jin	1.00
Tang Seng	Law Hian	1.00
Kuan Poh	Bong Mooi	14.66
Chin Lip Chee	Pang Koh	5.00
Lee Ngee	Lee Ah Gok	1.00
Kuan Thiaw	Jong Foong	1.00
Law Phan	...	.17
Kuan Tsan	Lai Chon	12.00
Goh Ma Seng	Goh Neo Kee	1.00
Kok On	...	2.83
Jong Khiuk	Jong Sin Joon	1.00
Voon Tzoon	...	1.22
Phang Ket	Phang Phan	30.00
Law Lian Hin	Koo Tian	23.25
Koo Men	Then Chan	2.00
Man	Dris	1.00
Jong Choo	Kuan Booi	1.00
Bujeng	Jong Lam	1.90
Lim Kee Choon	Lim Siew Khiew	3.00
Bong Joon Jee	Bong Chai	22.00
Ang Ah Moy	Lee Chin	30.00
Law Khiun Pit	...	.92
Law Sen	...	.16
Lim Oh Tiam	Ng See	1.00
Bong Lan	Bong Jin	4.00
Jong Chin	Chong Lee	1.00
		$189.11

H. R. A. DAY,
Resident.

Paku,
30th January, 1907.

Notice.

No. V, 1907.

BY order of the Court the following land Grants will be sold by Public Auction at 9 A.M. at the Court House, Kuching, on Friday 15th March, 1907.

Grant No. 292 of 1896 having an area of 1 acre 2 roods 11 poles or thereabouts at the junction of Batu Lintang, Tabuan and Sekama Roads.

Grant No. 767 of 1905 being lot 3 Section 22A having an area of 2 acres 3 roods 31 poles or thereabouts on the South of the Sekama Road.

Grant No. 793 being lot 4 Section 22A having an area of 2 acres 1 rood and 15 poles or thereabouts on the East of the Batu Lintang Road. (Subject to Mortgagees claim.)

The above three lots are surrounded by a good bilian fence and contain well-built farm buildings, piggeries, etc.

Grant No. 634 of 1901 being lot 2 Section 22 having an area of 2 acres or thereabouts South of Central Road East. (Subject to Mortgagees claim.)

Grant No. 784 of 1905 being lot 19 Section 5 having an area of 7¾ perches or thereabouts to the South of Khoo Hun Yeang Street and having a well built brick and tile house thereon. No. 28 Khoo Hun Yeang Street.

Grant No. 792 of 1905, being lot No. 12 Section 23 having an area of 2.15 acres South of Tabuan Road.

Also the household effects at No. 28 Khoo Hun Yeang Street will be sold on the premises after the land has been disposed of.

JOHN E. A. LEWIS,
Resident 2nd Class.

Kuching,
27th February, 1907.

Notice.

No. VI, 1907.

To masters of sailing vessels and steamers entering Sadong.

THE remains of the old wharf are marked at night by a white light and the new wharf about 100 yards further up river and directly below Kuala Simunjan by a red light.

The Simunjan River, having silted up, is not navigable for schooners or steamers except at high tide.

نوتيس

ممبري تاهو كفد جراڠن فراهو دان كڤتن كفل يڠ ماسق كسادوڠ -

مك يا ٔيت سڤرة واف اتو جمباتن لاما ادا برتندا فد مالم فاسڠ افي فوتيه دان جمباتن يڠ بهارو كيرا٢ سراتوس هيلا كا اتس سوڠي دان سبله باوه كوالا سمونجن ادا فاكي لمڤو ميره -

دانلاڠي سوڠي سمونجن ادا توهور دان سكونر اتو كفل تيا دا بوليه فاكي ملينكن جك اير بسر -

D. A. OWEN,
Resident.

LEAVE.

H. L. Owen, Esq. Assistant Resident, returned from leave on 21st February, and has resumed his duties at Simanggang.

APPOINTMENT.

J. R. Barnes, Esq. is attached to the Public Works Department, to date from 21st February 1907.

OUR NOTES.

February.

ON the 1st the p. s. *Kaka* sailed for Brooketon and Limbang, *viâ* Kidurong. Passenger, Mr. C. Morsi.

ON the 4th p. s. *Adeh* returned from Sibu and Lingga. Passengers, from Lingga—The Ven. Archdeacon Sharp, the Revd. F. W. Nichols, the Revd. and Mrs. Dexter Allen; from Rejang—Mr. Ernest Hose, Mr. and Mrs. Clarke and child.

THE s. s. *Kuching* sailed for Singapore on the 5th. She had no European passengers.

ON the 6th the Norwegian s. s. *Falk*, 1,380 tons, Capt. Gundersen, with a crew of 31, arrived at Rejang from Hongkong to load timber. She brought $9,000 in silver.

ON the 7th the s. s. *Rajah of Sarawak* arrived from Singapore. Passengers, The Hon'ble Sir Percy and Lady Cunynghame, and child.

Kuching is pleased to welcome Lady Cunynghame back after an absence of 10 months spent at home.

ON the 9th p. s. *Kaka* returned from Limbang and Brooketon, *viâ* Sadong. Passengers, Miss Hogg, and from Brooketon to Sadong, Mr. H. F. May.

The same day s. s. *Sarawak* sailed for Bintulu.

ON the 12th p. s. *Adeh* sailed for Sibu. Passenger, the Revd. Father Heyden.

The same day the s. s. *Rajah of Sarawak* sailed for Singapore with passengers—Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Clark, Miss Oliver, Messrs. R. Pawle, C. C. Clarke and T. S. Odom.

ON the 14th the s. s. *Kuching* arrived from Singapore.

ON the 15th p. s. *Kaka* sailed for Brooketon and Limbang, *via* Sadong. Passengers, Miss Hogg, and from Sadong to Brooketon, Mr. H. F. May.

ON the 16th p. s. *Adeh* arrived from Sibu with passenger, the Very Revd. Father E. Dunn.

ON the 19th the s. s. *Kuching* sailed for Singapore. Passengers, Mrs. Waddell and Messrs. H. C. Brooke Johnson and E. Smith.

The same day p. s. *Adeh* left for Sadong with passengers, Dr. Barker and Mr. M. G. Bradford.

News was received about this date that the

schooner *Banjer Ros* had foundered at the mouth of the Sadong River on her way from Sadong to Kuching with a full cargo of coal.

On the 21st the p. s. *Adeh* returned from Sadong with Dr. Barker and Mr. Bradford, the s. s. *Sarawak* came back from Bintulu and the s. s. *Rajah of Sarawak* arrived from Singapore with passengers, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Zelsinger, Messrs. Cable, Ireland, J. H. Brodie, and H. L. Owen.

Mr. Brodie left Sarawak about a year ago seriously ill and it was hardly expected that he would return again. We are all pleased to see him once more and his friends will be glad to know that he considers himself thoroughly fit.

P. S. *Kaka* returned from the North on the 22nd, and on the 23rd s. l. *La Fée* sailed for Sibu *via* Lingga. Passengers for Lingga, Mr. H. L. Owen, and the Revd. and Mrs. Dexter Allen.

On the 24th s. s. *Sarawak* left for Bintulu.

On the 25th the s. s. *Rajah of Sarawak* sailed for Singapore. Passengers, Mrs. Service and child, Messrs. Cable and B. F. Davis.

Mrs. Service is *en-route* for Australia for a change and will be followed later by Mr. Service who we understand shortly goes on leave. We wish Mrs. Service a pleasant "holiday".

On the 28th the s. s. *Kuching* arrived from Singapore with passengers Messrs. C. J. Wilson and W. E. Horne.

The same day the s. s. *Sarawak* returned from Bintulu.

During the month we have been visited by two Yachts flying the American flag, and a Gunboat of the Imperial German Navy.

Of the former, the palatial yacht *Alcedo*, formerly the property of Baron Rothschild, now owned by Mr. George Drexel the well-known Banker-millionaire, anchored at Pending, and Mr. and Mrs. Drexel paid a short visit to Kuching, lunching with His Highness the Rajah Muda at the Astana.

Mr. and Mrs. Drexel also entertained the Rajah Muda and the Hon,ble Sir Percy and Lady Cunynghame and other guests at dinner on board the *Alcedo* in the evening.

The *Alcedo* was followed by the steam-yacht *Norseman* with Mr. and Mrs. Robinson and family on board. The *Norseman* came up-river and anchored off "Ban Hok's" wharf; she remained in the river three nights.

S. M. S. *Tiger* arrived here on the eve of Chinese New Year. She anchored off Ban Hok's wharf. She is a vessel of 950 tons and 1,300 H. P., her speed being 13 knots; she carries 8 guns and a crew of 125 men with eight Officers.

The full list of Officers is as under, and we give the English equivalent rank as near as possible:—

Commander	Von Koss
Lieutenant	Frank
Do (G)	Dümmler
Do (N)	Doflein
Do	Eckerlin
Sub-Lieutenant	Ichon
Chief Engineer	Schmidt
Surgeon	Arendt
Paymaster	Berends

YEARLY REPORTS.

SIMANGGANG.

January, 14th 1907.

Rajah,—I have the honour to forward to Your Highness this my Yearly Report for the 2nd Division for 1906.

Trade.

The Trade Returns for the three Rivers (the Batang Lupar, Saribas, and Kalaka), for the year 1906 shew *increases* in both Imports and Exports for the Batang Lupar and Saribas, and *decreases* in both items for the Kalaka river compared with 1905.

1906, Trade Returns.

	Imports.	Exports.
* B. Lupar	$138,662	$161,057
Saribas	104,050	84,977
Kalaka	105,028	127,764
Totals	$347,740	$373,798

1905, Trade Returns.

	Imports.	Exports.
* B. Lupar	$124,539	$151,928
Saribas	84,230	67,124
Kalaka	116,158	151,122
Totals	$324,927	$370,174

Thus the Totals of Imports and Exports for 2nd Division for 1906 are greater than those of 1905.

I attribute the falling off in the Trade in the Kalaka River to the small-pox, which kept on breaking out in the Saratok Bazaar, and to the disturbances caused by the breaking up of the Secret Society in the Ibus.

Batang Lupar Exports of Rice, Paddy, and Gutta Jelutong, in 1905 and 1906.

1905.

Rice / Paddy	4,748 pasus	value $4,748
G. Jelutong	9,959 piculs	value 40,732

1906.

Rice	3,023¾ pasus	value $4,966
Paddy	10,118⅝ ,,	,, 3,601
G. Jelutong	6,715½ piculs	,, 27,427

There has been a good *increase* in the export of Rice and Paddy for 1906 over 1905. The *decrease* in the export of gutta Jelutong is only to be expected

* No returns from the village of Sabuyow are available in these Tables.

since so many Jelutong trees have been killed by over-tapping.

Batang Lupar, Saribas, and Kalaka, Exports of white and black Pepper for 1905 and 1906.

1905.

	White Pepper.	Black Pepper.	Value.
B. Lupar	571½ piculs	43½ piculs	$20,176
Saribas	16¼ ,,	...	630
Kalaka	820 ,,	129½ ,,	30,625
		Total	$51,431

1906.

	White Pepper.	Black Pepper.	Value.
B. Lupar	1,058 piculs	43½ piculs	$26,420
Saribas	7 ,,	3 ,,	272
Kalaka	802½ ,,	387 ,,	26,252
		Total	$52,944

I foretold a great *increase* in the export of pepper, from the B. Lupar and the Kalaka especially, and this turned out to be true as regards the B. Lupar and but for the small-pox and troubles caused by the Secret Society would have been true also of the Kalaka. I am unable to account for the falling off in the Saribas, but there are few persons engaged in pepper planting there.

At the close of the year 1906 in the Simanggang Bazaar both rice and paddy were being sold for more than they fetched in 1905. Rice sold for $1 for 2½ *gantangs*, and Paddy for $1 a *pasu*.

Very little Native-grown rice was to be obtained and it was being imported not too freely from Kuching. The Garrison at L. Antu (as in 1905) had to be supplied from Simanggang.

I may say, dealing with the general trade of this Division, that it has not recovered so much as I hoped it would (during 1906) and the reasons for this are, the small-pox (which lasted on until August) throughout the country, the continued troubles and threatened raids by the Ulu Ai rebels, and the Secret Society in the Kalaka.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Net Revenue and Net Expenditure for the year 1906, for the 2nd Division, shew a *decrease* in the Revenue and an *increase* in the Expenditure.

Compared with 1905 the Net Revenue shews a *decrease* of $884.77, and the Net Expenditure an *increase* of $655.89.

In 1905 the Net Expenditure exceeded the Revenue by $1,932.19., in 1906 it exceeds the Revenue by $3,472.85.

The reasons for this falling off in the Revenue and increase in the Expenditure are precisely the same as were given in the Yearly Report for 1905, which I need not repeat here.

I can only say that at the close of 1906 we seem to have got rid of the devastating epidemic of small-pox, but the Ulu Ai rebels in the Batang Lupar are still raiding, and threatening raids, in different directions.

The Net Revenue and Net Expenditure for 2nd Division for 1906.

Total Net Revenue	$29,606.62
Total Net Expenditure	33,079.47
Total Deficit	$ 3,472.85

I give here the total Net Revenue and Expenditure of the Division for the last seven years:—

	Net Revenue.	*Net Expenditure.*
1900	$24,972.88	$20,078.05
1901	27,723.05	22,215.14
1902	28,687.90	23,514.20
1903	37,344.86	30,307.83
1904	32,279.05	30,546.19
1905	30,491.39	32,423.58
1906	29,606.62	33,079.47

The Net Revenue and Net Expenditure for the three rivers for 1906 is:—

	Net Revenue.	*Net Expenditure.*
B. Lupar	$16,588.64	$26,021.30
Saribas	5,727.06	3,583.56
Kalaka	7,290.92	3,474.61

Thus the Batang Lupar shews an *excess* of Expenditure over Revenue of $9,432.66, the Saribas a *surplus* of Revenue over Expenditure of $2,143.50, and the Kalaka a *surplus* of Revenue over Expenditure of $3,816.

The *excess* of Expenditure over Revenue for the B. Lupar is *less* (by $581.84) than it was in 1905, but the surplus for the Saribas and the Kalaka surplus shew a great falling off amounting to a total of $2,143.50, *viz*: Saribas *less* by $697.11 than it was in 1905, and Kalaka *less* by $1,426.39 than it was in 1905.

The Net Revenue and Net Expenditure of the three Rivers separately examined.

THE BATANG LUPAR RIVER.

1.—Net Revenue.

When compared with 1905 the Net Revenue for 1906 shews an *increase* of $453.02, and the Net Expenditure a *decrease* of $128.82. It is a pity these figures are so small since they are eminently in the right direction.

To take the Revenue *increases*, shewing amounts, we have:—Court ($242), Military ($43), Plantations ($43), Licenses ($40), Farms ($205.), Prison ($205), Timber Royalty ($109). The only satisfactory increases in the above, so far as I can see, are in the last two.

We have the following *decreases* in the Revenue:—Dyak Revenue ($206), Import Duties ($76), Exemption Tax ($16), Cattle ($18), Currency ($201), Probate ($111). The decrease under Dyak Revenue is only what one could expect when so many move out of the country, and the death rate was much heavier on account of the small-pox. All the other decreases are equally discouraging; under Exemption Tax the decrease is small and owing to Malays moving from Lunchong etc. to the 1st Division.

2.—Net Expenditure.

When compared with 1905 the Net Expenditure *increases* are under—Officers Salaries ($746), Plantations ($55), Cattle ($199), Prison ($224), Express Service ($116), School and Education ($75), Pensions ($120).

As regards the increase under Officers Salaries, five Officers drew pay here for March ($940.) and partly for April ($846.66) when Mr. Page-Turner was appointed to serve in another Division.

In June there were increases to the allowances of the three senior Officers at Simanggang amounting to $75 per mensem. In July Mr. Owen drew part of his pay ($70), and after that there were three Officers only on the pay sheet drawing pay up to the end of the year. The other increases call for little comment.

The net expenditure *decreases* are under:—

Dyak Revenue ($32), Import Duties ($120), Court ($241), Military ($530), Public Works ($331), Police

($153), and General Miscellaneous ($358). These decreases in the last four items are of course very satisfactory. Under Military a saving has been effected chiefly owing to the fact that the squad of S. Rangers now employed does not draw so much pay as the former one, and further that it was reduced (by order). Under Public Works the saving is effected owing to little work being performed by outside labour, only certain small blockhouses had to be rebuilt at L. Antu as they were rotten, or had to be removed because of floods.

THE SARIBAS AND KALAKA FINANCES.

The Saribas River.

1906.

Net Revenue.	*Net Expenditure.*
$5,727.06	$3,583.56

Surplus of above $2,143.50

Compared with 1905 the Net Revenue shews *less* by $633.28 for 1906:—

Thus,

Net Revenue 1905	$6,360.34
Do 1906	5,727.06

The Net Expenditure for 1906 shews a small *increase* over that of 1905. Thus:—

Net Expenditure, 1905	$3,519.73
Do 1906	3,583.56
Increase	$63.83

1.—The Net Revenue.

Compared with the Net Revenue of 1905 the Net Revenue for 1906 shews small *decreases* under:—Dyak Revenue ($17), Court ($148), Currency ($140), Customs ($118), Exemption Tax ($34), Plantations ($23), Probate ($300). It would be very much more satisfactory were all these items, except Court and Currency, to shew *increases*.

The *increases* for 1906 are:—Farms ($162), Licenses ($21), Assessment ($18), Registration ($28); the only satisfactory increases are under Hawkers Licenses, Assessments, and Registration, and they are all small amounts.

2.—The Net Expenditure.

Under Expenditure the *decreases* are in Court ($103), and Military ($25).

The *increases* in Expenditure are found under:—Import Duties ($20), Native Officers ($23), Express Service ($53), Pension ($25) and Police ($46). None of these, except the first two, can be called satisfactory.

THE KALAKA RIVER.

1906.

Net Revenue.	*Net Expenditure.*
$7,290	$3,474.61

Surplus of Revenue over Expenditure $3,815.39.

Compared with 1905 the Net Revenue shews *less* by $705.43. Thus:—

Net Revenue 1905	$7,995.43
Do 1906	7,290.00

The Net Expenditure for 1906 shews an *increase* of $720.88. Thus:—

Net Expenditure 1905	$2,753.73
Do 1906	3,474.61

1.—The Net Revenue.

The *decreases* in the above shew under:—

Cattle ($59), Customs ($663.79), Dyak Revenue ($25), Exemption Tax ($28), Farms ($120), Licenses ($32), Registration ($29).

The falling off under Customs is very heavy indeed. The Kalaka river was particularly unfortunate in having several visitations of the small-pox epidemic, that quite put a stop to trade in some places.

The *increases* in the Net Revenue are under:—Assessment ($14), Court ($104), Timber Royalty ($11), and Pepper Tax ($40).

The last two are satisfactory but the sums are but small.

2.—The Net Expenditure.

Under Expenditure for 1906 the *increases* are to be found under:—Court ($88), Express Service ($28), Military ($36), Native Officers ($60), Police ($26), Post Office ($25), Prison ($25), and Public Works ($555). The increases in Express Service and Military may be attributed to the Chinese Secret Society troubles, as also the increase under Prison. Under Public Works the rebuilding of the Saratok Bungalow fully accounts for this increase.

The *decrease* under Expenditure shews in only one item, in double figures at least, and that is under Cattle ($66). We could afford to pay more at this station to have the Cattle better looked after than has been the case of late years, I am sorry to say, but it is most difficult to get a cowman for Kabong.

CASH TRANSACTIONS IN THE 2ND DIVISION IN 1906.

The Kalaka Treasury transmitted to the Sarawak Treasury $243 (old dollars), and cashed Letters of Credit from Kuching to the amount of $2,030, and further transmitted to the Simanggang Treasury $1,600. (cash).

The Saribas transmitted to the Simanggang Treasury $1,563 cash.

The Sarawak transmitted to the Simanggang Treasury $5,000 (new dollars).

THE 1906 AUDIT.

Mr. Ed. Parnell audited all the accounts of the 2nd Division. The Books in the Saribas and Kalaka had not been audited by the Treasury for over 20 years, I believe. The errors were not very serious I may say.

EVENTS OF THE YEAR 1906.

Ulu Ai Affairs.

After various conflicting rumours, that the rebels had collected a force for the purpose of raiding down river in various directions but had again dispersed, continued for the first three months to disturb the peace of the country, at length, on April 19th, a force of the Ulu Ai attacked Grinang's at Ulu Sremat and killed one man and sixteen women and children. The rebels had three men killed near the house and when retreating and after they had re-joined their main force at ulu Kaung were again attacked by the Sermat and Kumpang Dyaks, who had followed them, and had three more killed. This force is said to have been led by Amal alias Apai Biti who is a refugee from the Empran, Netherlands India.

On May 16th the rebels made another foray on the Lower Lemanak and attacked P. Sumpits' farm-hut which is only some 4 hours paddle from the mouth of the Lemanak. About 100 men attacked the hut, led, it is said, by Kana eldest son of Apai Laja. Of course these people came through the Lower Engkari and were guided by an Engkari.

P. Sumpit beat off this attack after being himself wounded in several places and losing eight killed and one boy taken captive. The enemy lost three killed and had others wounded. It was noticed that they carried fire-arms and some twenty empty cartridge cases were picked up near.

Since the above the rebels have constantly collected forces which for different reasons (mostly owing, I believe, to bad omens) have failed to undertake any serious raid until just at the close of the

year when Ngumbang's son-in-low, and Bantin's son, got a force numbering, it is said, about 1,000 men and raided the Julau (in Rejang waters). I have heard from Lubok Antu (the news is from the Engkari) the rebels killed thirty persons and took five captive. I cannot, however, vouch for the accuracy of the above except that they did attack in the ulu Julau direction and have killed people there.

Upon their return Apai Biti's force started; it is said they blame Chendan and Embuas for their loss in April last at ulu Kaung and intend to attack them (they live near Wong Mutan above L. Antu). Meroum, Kling, and another from the Rejang came over to the Ulu Ai to persuade Ngumbang, Bantin, and their followers to remove and "come in" at Kapit, but were unable to do so and returned to Kapit in July.

In November Ngumbang, Bantin, Ugil, and their followers met Mr. Lang above L. Antu and stated they desired to meet me and Mr. Baring-Gould. I fixed a date in December and went to L. Antu but they neither appeared nor sent any explanations. I have since heard that Bantin's son and Ngumbang's son-in-law were leading the ulu Ai force that attacked the Julau people (as I have mentioned above), so this accounts for their not liking to come to meet us at L. Antu!

MISCELLANEOUS.

On January 1st His Highness The Rajah Muda left Simanggang in his Motor launch for Lingga and Banting and returned to Kuching on the 2nd per p. s. *Adeh*.

On January 12th the heaviest flood ever-known occurred at Lubok Antu and Simanggang.

A great deal of damage was done at the former place to the defences.

In March the Liew Chew Secret Society in the Ibus, Kalaka, the Sahari, Rejang, and in Kuching was discovered owing chiefly to the murder of Hugh Kui by members of the Society.

This Society was promptly broken up by His Highness The Rajah's directions and certain members were executed or imprisoned.

From July to October we were very short of both Officers and Clerks, there being only two of the former in the Division and one clerk in the B. Lupar.

CRIME.

Apart from the Ulu Ai country which is as it was last year (1905), in a disturbed state, there were, in the peaceful parts of the country, three murders and one cutting and wounding case.

The Secret Society committed one murder (it is said to be the third or fourth they are guilty of), a Chinawoman was murdered at Pengkalan Marup, and a Chinaman at Seõio, Saratok.

APPOINTMENTS AND LEAVE.

Mr. O. Lang was appointed to the 2nd Division and Mr. Page-Turner to the 3rd Division.

Mr. H. L. Owen was granted leave home in July for 7 months.

Abang Lana was appointed in place of his father Abang Mesagus to be chief at Betong.

Tuanku Ali was appointed to Sabuyow in place of his father deceased.

Both the above appointments are made subject to Your Highness' approval.

P. C. Samsudin succeeded P. S. Bakir as Police Sergeant at the commencement of the year. P. S. Bakir retired on pension.

OBITUARY.

Chin Ah Fook (Simanggang Clerk) from a gun accident in June. Alan (Clerk at Lingga) from brain lesion in September. P. Suring (B. Lupar) in March Dayang Anjong in September. Abang Mesagus (pensioner) in October. Tuanku Bagus, Sabuyow Magistrate and clerk, in December.

I have the honour to be,

Rajah,

Your Highness' most obedient Servant.

D. J. S. BAILEY,
Resident.

BINTULU.

January 18th, 1907.

RAJAH MUDA,—I have the honour to make the following Report for the year 1906.

The net Revenue and Expenditure compared with 1905.

	Revenue.		Expenditure.
1906	$13,204.98	1906	$15,478.77
1905	12,619.58	1905	14,142.29
Increase	$585.44	Increase	$1,336.48

This is the highest Revenue ever attained in this District. All items shew an increase with the exception of Court a/c which is a decrease of $97.60, Farms $407.50 and Land a/c $4.70.

Expenditure shews an increase of $1,336.08 mostly accounted for in the following items:—

General Miscellaneous $114.70, Military a/c $354.41, Officers Salaries $407.53, Police a/c $81.48 and Public Works $373.28.

Public Works a/c shews the big sum of $2,080.16 mostly accounted for by the finishing of the following buildings—Native Officers' house, Tatau; Clerk's house, Bintulu.

Health.—Small-pox prevailed in Tatau for some months but was not of a very virulent form: the health of the Bintulu river has been good.

General.—The state of the river has been quiet: one murder took place of a Chinese trader named Wai Kang, the murderer Tai Chang committed suicide directly after it.

A party of 36 Dyaks returned here in September who left here the end of last year, having been on a raid into the Kayan Country where they met with a reverse, losing 4 of their party. They have since been fined, the leaders $50 each and their followers $25 each.

At Tatau a number of Dyaks were fined for moving in from the Rejang without permission; these fines were paid and the people afterwards allowed to settle there.

Public Works.—The following buildings have been finished—A house for the Native Officer at Tatau, Clerk's house, Bintulu, and a new bridge over the stream in front of the Fort built.

The roads and bridges in the Kampong are in a very dilapidated state and I feel sure that a small tax levied on the Kampongs would be much more satisfactory than the present system of free labour, the people also would be glad of this change.

I have the honour to be,

Rajah Muda,

Your Highness most obedient Servant,

E. A. W. COX,
Resident.

Comparative Statement of Revenue and Expenditure of Bintulu for 1906 and 1905.

	Revenue				Expenditure.			
	1906.	1905.	Increase.	Decrease.	1906.	1905.	Increase.	Decrease.
	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.
Alligator Rewards a/c ...	...	...	...	...	13.25	14.13	...	.88
Assessments a/c... ...	354.00	348.00	6.00	...	25.80	8.00	17.80	...
Cattle a/c	81.32	48.00	33.32	...	153.27	103.45	49.82	...
Court a/c	3,763.70	3,861.30	...	97.60	1,624.12	2,000.40	...	376.28
Export Duties a/c ...	365.36	...	365.36	...	...	...	...	...
Import Duties a/c ...	392.58	308.88	83.70	...	48.00	88.00	...	40.00
Dyak Revenue a/c ...	3,214.00	3,199.45	14.55	...	179.75	365.59	...	185.84
Exemption Tax a/c ...	2,151.00	1,962.50	188.50	...	220.60	193.40	27.20	...
Farms a/c	1,217.00	1,624.50	...	407.50	...	...	...	...
General Miscellaneous a/c ..	5.23	...	5.23	...	124.88	10.18	114.70	...
Land a/c	5.10	9.80	...	4.70	...	...	...	...
Licenses a/c	339.50	310.00	29.50	...	...	...	...	...
Light House a/c ...	68.36	46.01	22.25	...	219.60	262.22	...	42.62
Military a/c	81.15	78.15	3.00	...	2,044.07	1,689.66	354.41	...
Post and Shipping Office a/c	40.14	38.27	1.87	...	13.95	11.70	2.25	...
Prison a/c	712.98	530.39	182.59	...	637.56	492.21	145.35	...
Registration a/c... ...	149.25	137.50	11.75	...	28.00	10.25	18.25	...
Stamps a/c	42.76	21.13	21.63	...	...	...	...	...
Timber Royalty a/c ...	221.65	95.70	125.95	...	...	...	...	...
Charity a/c	...	...	...	...	1.30	1.00	.30	...
Native Officers a/c ...	...	...	...	...	505.00	...	505.00	...
Express Service a/c ...	...	...	...	...	714.63	782.98	...	68.35
Medical a/c	...	...	...	...	15.05	1.47	13.58	...
Officers Salaries a/c ...	...	...	...	...	4,157.53	3,750.00	407.53	...
Pensions a/c	...	...	...	...	444.00	504.00	...	60.00
Police a/c	...	...	...	...	1,854.97	1,773.49	81.48	...
Public Works a/c ...	...	...	...	...	2,453.44	2,080.16	373.28	...
Total ...	$13,204.98	$12,619.58	$1,095.20	$509.80	$15,478.77	$14,142.29	$2,110.95	$773.97

LAWAS.

January 30th, 1907.

RAJAH,—I have the honour to report as follows for this district for the year 1906.

Revenue and Expenditure.—The Revenue and Expenditure for 1906 amounted to $8,626.42 and $12,034.58 respectively, showing a deficit of $3,408.26. As, however, a large portion of the initial expenses for buildings and other works was included in the expenditure, the deficit cannot be considered a large one; during the ensuing year the expenditure will be reduced by $4,000 to $4,500. The station having only been started in May of the previous year no comparison can be made.

The larger items of Revenue consist of Court account $544.13, Farms $2,400, Customs account $4,440.37 and Exemption tax $824; and those under Expenditure are Public Works $4,715.42, Military account $1,451.19, Officers Salaries $3,131.83, Court account $825.98, Police account $720.52.

Farms.—The Farms consisted of Opium, Spirits and Gambling which were rented at $200 per mensem. For 1907 only the spirit and gambling farms were sold locally, the opium farm having been included in that for the whole of Sarawak territory; the two former were sold for $190 per mensem or only $10 less than for the three including the opium. An offer was made to take over the three farms for this district for $300 per mensem, but as there is now no separate opium farm a sum of $1,320 has been lost to the revenue of the station.

Public Works.—The sum disbursed under this head was $4,715.12, and in this amount was included part cost of the Government house, barracks, house at Merapok, wharf at the station, wages for roads, clearing and such like.

The estimate for 1907 is put at $750, all the larger and more important works having been completed.

Native affairs.—Amongst the Bruneis and Kadyans there have been no cases of any importance and amongst the Muruts only one, that of the death of one Riong caused by Gaing at Balang's house up-river. Gaing was arrested but made his escape before the final trial and from what evidence was brought forward it would appear that Riong attacked Gaing when drunk and Gaing killed him in self defence. The head of the house, Balang, and others, however, first of all attempted to conceal the murder and then, finding it was known, falsely accused one Lakai of having committed it. Balang and four other Muruts implicated were fined seven piculs.

The Muruts have otherwise been very quiet, no cases of feuds having taken place amongst them, such being at one time frequent.

A Dyak turned Mahomedan, named Musa, was sentenced to eighteen months imprisonment for wounding, with intent to do grievous hurt, P. C. Puteh at Merapok.

The Dyaks living in the river have now, with a few exceptions, moved to the Gaya stream which they were permitted to do; this is a suitable part for them as they will not clash with the Muruts as might happen heretofore, they have so far behaved quietly and given no trouble.

Some six families of Bruneis have moved up to the station to live from the Pangeran's Kampong at the mouth, and have built houses here; it is not probable, however, that many others will move any distance from the mouth as most of them are fishermen.

Trade.—The Foreign Trade Returns for the year show the following figures:—

Imports $80,390 Exports $67,057

As the station was only started in May 1905 only the latter half of 1906 can he compared with the cor-

responding half in 1905 and this shows an increase in the Imports of $14,751 and in the Exports of $8,094 or a total increase of $22,845, which may be considered satisfactory for the first year.

The chief articles of Export are Damar amounting to $56,889, India Rubber $2,557, Timber $2,224, and of Import, Rice $26,675, Tobacco $5,026 and Opium $3,300, by which it will be seen that damar is by far the largest article of produce exported, there being very little India rubber or rattans left, these products having been almost worked out.

General.—A concession of 10,000 acres of land for rubber was granted to Mr. Sargeant of Singapore in August, but this has not up to date been taken up.

A further concession was granted to Dr. Dittmar of 2,000 acres, which will be opened up as soon as a supply of labour has been obtained.

Six new shops have been built in the bazaar here and three at Marapok during the year, bringing the number to thirteen at the latter place and eleven at the station,

Rainfall.—The Registration of the Rainfall was not commenced until the middle of February and for six weeks from June 14th to July 31st owing to the death of Mr. Bingley and no one being in charge here until the latter date.

The total rainfall for remaining nine months amounted to 132.25 inches.

O. F. RICKETTS,
Resident.

BAU ANNUAL REPORT.

Statement of Revenue and Expenditure for 1906.

REVENUE.

	1906.	1905.	Increase.	Decrease.
	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.
Assessment a/c	475.00	474.00	1.00	...
Court a/c	4,218.40	6,013.60	...	1,795.20
Customs a/c	1.86	...	1.86	...
Exemption Tax a/c	190.00	266.00	...	76.00
Land a/c	17.00	35.00	...	18.00
Licenses a/c	756.00	552.00	204.00	...
Post and Shipping Office a/c ...	40.18	27.61	12.57	...
Prison a/c	2,800.00	2,107.71	692.29	...
Probate fees a/c	118.84	385.56	...	266.72
Registration a/c	680.00	1,105.00	...	425.00
Stamps a/c	1,071.92	2,790.32	...	1,718.40
Timber Royalty a/c	30.50	3.58	26.92	...
P. W. D. Water Works a/c	435.90	432.90	3.00	...
Garden Tax a/c	2,248.28	2,206.40	41.88	...
Total	13,083.88	16,399.68	983.52	4,299.32

EXPENDITURE.

	1906.	1905.	Increase.	Decrease.
	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.
Charity a/c	1.40	21.00	...	19.60
Church and Education a/c ...	234.77	264.00	...	29.23
Court a/c	2,782.67	1,819.82	962.85	...
Express Service a/c	20.79	11.65	9.14	...
Licenses a/c	16.00	...	16.00	...
Medical a/c	75.20	116,10	...	40.90
Military a/c	1,036.37	1,159.20	...	122.83
Officers Salaries a/c	4,420.00	3,725.00	695.00	...
Police a/c	2,458.49	2,072.98	385.51	...
Post and Shipping Office a/c ...	38.57	6.00	32.57	...
Prison a/c	2,344.46	1,866.87	477.59	...
Registration a/c	45.67	40.25	5.42	...
P. W. D. Court House Grounds a/c ...	1,204.55	654.51	550.04	...
,, His Highness' Bungalow a/c ...	279.10	189.82	89.28	...
,, Water Works a/c	13.58	86.42	...	72.84
,, New Buildings a/c	75.86	1,174.75	...	1,098.89
,, Repairs to Buildings a/c	230.52	218.03	12.49	...
,, Whitewashing a/c	88.47	72.97	15.50	...
,, General Miscellaneous a/c	380.20	164.88	215.32	...
,, Staat Bridge a/c	402.14	1,111.12	...	708.98
,, Puak Bridge a/c	173.36	...	173.36	...
,, Ferries a/c	288.00	288.00	...	...
,, Scavengers a/c	168.00	168.00	...	...
,, Stables a/c	767.02	369.27	397.75	...
Up-keep. Jambusan Road a/c	935.83	912.88	22.95	...
,, Tundong Road a/c	623.07	621.53	1.54	...
,, Bau-Buan Road a/c	306.39	504.07	...	197.68
,, Bazaar Road a/c	387.96	324.40	63.56	...
,, Seringgok Road a/c	84.06	218.96	...	134.90
,, Puak Road a/c	611.73	1,097.17	...	485.44
Total	20,494.23	19,279.65	4,125.87	2,911.29

From the above statement of Net Revenue and Expenditure it will be seen that there has been a total decrease in Revenue of $3,315.80 and increase in Expenditure of $1,214.58.

The principal amounts showing increases and decreases under Revenue are as follows.—

REVENUE INCREASES.

Licenses a/c $204.—This is accounted for by extra Public House Licenses having been taken out.

Prison a/c $692.29.—Due to larger amount of Prison labour credited.

DECREASES.

Court a/c $1,795.—This is entirely due to fewer fines having been paid.

Registration a/c $425. } both these are due to the
Stamps a/c $1,718. } depreciated value of pepper, only 635 Agreements have been made out in 1906 as against 1,031 in 1905.

EXPENDITURE INCREASES.

Court a/c $962.—This is nearly entirely due to Survey of district having been carried on for the whole year instead of only 3 months in 1905.

Officers' Salaries a/c $695.—Due to there having been an extra Officer stationed here for some months in 1906.

Police a/c $385.51.—Due to the increased pay this force now receive.

Prison a/c $477.59.—The larger number of prisoners in 1906 account for this increase.

P. W. D. Court House Grounds a/c $550.04.—This is due to prison labour employed on clearing grounds and up-keep.

Stables a/c $397.75.—An Australion pony was bought for the station during the year.

EXPENDITURE DECREASES.

The chief decreases are $1,098.89 under New Buildings a/c and $708 Staat Bridge; the total decrease on up-keep of roads amounted to $334.32.

GROSS TOTAL REVENUE

is as below:—

As per Financial Statement	$13,083
Dyak Revenue	2,123
Duty on Pepper	25,000
Royalty on Gold (approximately)	71,000
	$111,206
Total Expenditure	$20,494

GENERAL REPORT.

His Highness The Rajah accompanied by the Hon'ble H. F. Desbon A. D. C. visited this Station on the 28th of July, leaving again the next day.

The Hon'ble The Divisional Resident arrived on the 25th of April and on the 26th passed sentence on certain Chinese for taking part in a faction fight.

P. C. Ahmat who shot a man dead during the row was sentenced to 10 years R. I.

A large Kongsee consisting of 118 Chinese, principally Lui Chews working for Messrs. The Borneo Company at Bidi, were expelled from Upper Sarawak early in the year: they were a very truculent lot and were undoubtedly members of a Secret Society; since getting rid of these men there has been no further trouble, nor has there been any gang robbery this year.

The Fa Fooi lottery was started here in June and close on $15,000 was staked in one month; it was then closed by order of His Highness The Rajah. The Opium Farm made a profit of $3,860 while it ran; this form of gambling had never been allowed in Upper Sarawak before.

Pepper Gardens.—845 gardens paid Road Tax in August but since then 40 have been taken off the register, and many that have been allowed to go out of cultivation have not yet been reported.

217 gardens were sold by Public Auction, in nearly every case on account of the owners having absconded after stealing the pepper which should have been brought in to the persons who had advanced provisions, tobacco and prawn refuse against the crop; the consequence is that many traders have gone bankrupt, the person to score being the gardener who, having obtained food etc. for a year free, makes off in many cases with some $200 to $300 worth of crop, having illicitly sold which he absconds from the country either to Singapore or Sambas.

Puak Plantations.—I have been unable to visit Puak for some months; the Gutta plantation is, I hear, doing better than was at one time expected. A small Hospital has been erected and there is a Chinese dresser in charge so that sick coolies now get prompt attention.

Survey.—A Native Surveyor has been kept steadily surveying the position of gardens and roads in the district; that portion of the district bounded by the river from Busau to Bau on the one side, and the tram line from Busau to Buan and thence on to Bau on the other is now complete; in all 425 gardens are on the completed plan.

Crime.—136 persons were sentenced to terms of imprisonment in 1906 as against 105 in 1905.

The average daily number of prisoners and remands were respectively, in 1906, 32.95 and 3.16, and in 1905, 24.43 and 3.66.

Police.—The force consisted of 1 Corporal, 2 Lance Corporals and 16 Constables stationed as follows.—Bau, 1 Corporal, 1 Lance Corporal and 13 Constables; Bidi, 1 Lance Corporal, 1 Constable; Tundong, 2 Constables.

There is also a Constable employed by the Opium Farm both at Bau and Bidi.

Sarawak Rangers.—The force consisted of 1 Corporal and 5 privates; it was returned to Head Quarters at the end of the year as it was not considered necessary to keep it here any longer, gang robbers having ceased to infest the district.

Public Works.—The old floor of the Staat Suspension bridge, which was rotten, was replaced by a billian one.

The large billian bridge at Puak, which was on the point of collapsing on account of the foundations giving way, had to be hauled into position and repaired.

A new bridge was built over the Seniawan stream on the Jambusan road.

The beams in the Court roof had to be replaced and also the greater part of the floor, as they were rotten, also considerable repairs were necessary to His Highness The Rajah's bungalow.

The roads were kept weeded and in fair repair by contract.

Government grounds and the roads in the vicinity of Bau were kept up by prison labour.

Staff.—Mr. Page-Turner was appointed in June to do duty in this district but was re-appointed in July to the Rejang district, and Mr. Crocker was appointed in October.

E. R. STILWELL,
Resident.

MUKA.

RAJAH,—I have the honour to report as follows to Your Highness for the year 1906.

The Net revenue amounts to $15,133.43 as compared with $15,040.24 the previous year, an increase of $93.19.

The accompanying statement of the revenue and expenditure for the past two years shows the various increases and decreases.

The principal event of the year was the visit of Your Highness during the month of April; Your Highness arriving on the 28th in the s. l. *La Fée*, and leaving next day in Your Highness' S. Y. *Zahora*.

At the end of June I left for Kuching to attend the Council Negri, accompanied by Mr. A. E. Law-

rence, the Assistant Resident, and Mr. P. Gordon White, the Officer in Charge of Oya.

Your Highness having been pleased to grant me two months leave I did not return to my station until September 13th, the Assistant Resident, Mr. A. E. Lawrence, acting for me during my absence.

Mr. P. Gordon White having been ordered by Your Highness to inspect the Matang Estate, the Assistant Resident, Mr. A. E. Lawrence took charge of Oya during the month of May, returning here on June 6th.

The trade of the district has been flourishing, this can be noticed from the fact that the revenue derived from hawker's licenses increased by $121 over the previous year.

The health of the natives has been good, the small-pox epidemic of 1905 having completely died out.

I have nothing further to report to Your Highness.

I have the honour to be,
Rajah,
Your Highness' most obedient Servant.
W. J. M. SHAW,
Resident.

Comparative statement of the Revenue and Expenditure of Muka for the years 1905 and 1906.

REVENUE.

	1905.	1906.	Increase.	Decrease.
	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.
Assessment a/c	284.00	282.00	...	2.00
Exemption Tax a/c	3,984.00	3,924.00	...	60.00
Cattle a/c	385.78	229.52	...	156.26
Customs a/c	88.39	230.67	142.28	...
Farms a/c	3,036.00	2,460.00	...	576.00
Licenses a/c	194.50	315.50	121.00	...
Buoy and Light dues a/c	169.97	228.00	58.03	...
Military a/c	63.50	29.30	...	34.20
Plantations a/c	263.71	70.98	...	192.73
Post and Shipping a/c	46.48	39.47	...	7.01
Prison a/c	1,360.95	1,494.22	133.27	...
Probate a/c	12.00	...	...	12.00
Registration a/c	203.25	213.50	10.25	...
Stamps a/c	64.35	48.18	...	16.17
Timber Royalty a/c	58.21	86.40	28.19	...
General Miscellaneous a/c	45.51	30.57	...	14.94
Land Grant a/c	1.22	1.22	...	...
Dyak Revenue a/c	574.00	1,142.00	568.00	...
Charity a/c	15.00	5.66	...	9.34
Currency a/c	135.61	...	...	135.61
Court a/c	4,011.68	4,252.47	240.79	...
Public Works a/c	—.20	3.00	2.80	...
Profit and Loss a/c	41.93	40.77	...	1.16
Express a/c	...	6.00	6.00	...
	$15,040.24	$15,133.43	$1,310.61	$1,217.42

EXPENDITURE.

	1905.	1906.	Increase.	Decrease.
	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.
Assessment a/c	14.20	14.10	...	—.10
Church and Education a/c	130.00	321.00	191.00	...
Court a/c	1,217.60	1,426.44	208.84	...
Native Officers' Salaries a/c ...	860.00	1,020.00	160.00	...
Customs a/c	4.31	11.43	7.12	...
Exemption Tax a/c	400.40	392.40	...	8.00
Express a/c	383.58	606.00	222.42	...
Buoy and Light a/c	145.69	164.42	18.73	...
Medical a/c	11.23	3.28	...	7.95
Military a/c	1,409.54	1,451.27	41.73	...
Officers' Salaries a/c	3,185.00	3,730.00	545.00	...
Pensions a/c	168.00	168.00	...	...
Plantations a/c	24.95	10.37	...	14.58
Police a/c	1,570.52	1,658.41	87.89	...
Prison a/c	1,089.72	1,150.28	60.56	...
Timber Royalty a/c	2.87	4.26	1.39	...
Public Works a/c	1,237.31	1,300.49	63.18	...
Charity a/c	10.58	17.97	7.39	...
Dyak Revenue a/c	69.20	105.40	36.20	...
General Miscellaneous a/c	15.20	15.28	—.08	...
Profit and Loss a/c	50.00	...	...	50.00
Alligators a/c	31.55	8.10	...	23.45
Astana a/c	3.32	...	...	3.32
Cattle a/c	273.74	260.33	...	13.41
Post Office a/c	...	34.11	34.11	...
	$12,308.51	$13,873.34	$1,685.64	$120.81

Baram Revenue and Expenditure for 1906 and 1905.

	1906.		1905.	
	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Revenue.	Expenditure.
Balance	$ 1,939.58	$ ...	$ 2,505.44	$ ...
Agency and Exchange a/c ...	90.00	3.75	76.00	...
Assessments a/c	216.00	8.60	196.00	7.80
Baram Minerals a/c	24.57	60.54	...	...
Cattle a/c	205.62	182.24	43.50	242.95
Charity a/c	...	19.50	...	18.00
Church and Education a/c ...	...	404.00	...	222.00
Court a/c	8,547.94	4,778.50	4,677.57	3,611.08
Customs a/c. Exports. ...	661.56	...	1,640.24	...
Imports. ...	682.27	1.00	541.14	...
Currency a/c...	3.63	...	469.47	...
Dayak and Kayan Revenue a/c ...	6,114.00	567.20	4,833.00	445.30
Exemption Tax a/c	2,068.00	212.60	2,072.00	206.00
Express a/c	1.00	1,196.40	7.20	1,006.84
Farms a/c	2,294.70	7.80	1,987.30	6.00
General Miscellaneous a/c ...	20.00	61.48	10.00	132.79
Land a/c	4.50	...	4.50	...
Licenses a/c. Goldsmiths ...	20.50	...	16.00	...
Hawkers ...	725.50	12.00	925.50	...
Lighthouse a/c	101.55	465.10	93.84	322.71
Medical a/c	...	15.12	...	10.09
Military a/c	125.98	1,864.78	91.23	3,109.49
Officers Salaries a/c	20.00	4,390.00	240.00	4,640.97
Police a/c	7.00	1,996.61	2.00	1,437.88
Post and Shipping Office a/c ...	134.17	93.10	53.90	1.06
Prison a/c	1,083.05	1,194.20	948.10	1,030.14
Probate Fees a/c	82.76	...	301.50	...
Public Works Department a/c ...	426.15	2,720.67	134.50	3,385.31
Registration a/c	126.50	2.00	989.50	15.00
Stamps a/c	93.59	...	56.62	...
Secret Service a/c	...	100.00	...	100.00
Steamship *Lucile* a/c	1,639.70	3,950.28	1,256.97	3,533.16
Total ...	$27,459.82	$24,306.87	$24,173.02	$23,484.57

Rajah,—I have the honor to make the following Report to Your Highness on the Revenue and Expenditure, Trade and General condition of the Baram District during the past year of 1906.

Revenue and Expenditure:—The total revenue collected here amounts to the sum of $27,459.82 and the Expenditure to $24,306.87, thus leaving a surplus of $3,142.95.

The revenue is the largest that has ever been collected in this District exceeding that of 1905 by the sum of $3,286.80, whilst the Expenditure exceeds that of the former year by $822.30.

If a growing Revenue is a sign of the prosperity of a country, the steady increases which have occurred latterly ought to prove that the Baram District is one of the most prosperous in the country. I append a table showing the Revenue collected and Expenditure in this District during the last 10 years.

	Revenue.	Expenditure.
1897	$10,300.15	$13,469.68
1898	16,792.40	16,754.14
1899	15,480.57	19,517.95
1900	18,771.14	24,088.81
1901	19,319.87	20,049.71
1902	20,176.73	21,595.75
1903	21,444.92	23,864.40
1904	21,667.98	22,118.27
1905	24,173.02	23,484.57
1906	27,459.82	24,306.87

If the items of Revenue are examined in detail it will be found that the chief increases occur under the following accounts—Cattle account $162.12; Court account $3,870.37; Kayan Revenue $1,281; Farms account $307.40; Public Works account $291.65, s. l. *Lucile* account $382.73.

Whilst the decreases are as follows:—

Exports account $978.68; Currency account $465.84; Hawkers Licenses $200; Probate fees $218.74; Registration account $863.

I am glad to note the increase under Cattle account as this year, for a change, the herd here have paid for their up-keep and even earned a small profit. The increase under Court account is chiefly due to the heavy fines imposed on the Bintulu Dyaks who invaded this District at the end of last

year, whilst that under Kayan Revenue is due to the influx of Kalabits under the Sarawak Government.

The Decrease under Exports account is simply caused by the Niah Chinese shipping their birdsnests to Kuching instead of Labuan, so the duty would not be collected here. That under Currency account is obvious owing to the fact that no old Dollars have been exchanged this year, whilst that under Registration account is due to the fact that in 1905 all the Niah Birdsnests caves were registered, which brought in fees to the amount of over $900.

Under Expenditure the chief increases are Court account $1,167.42, Express account $189.56, Police account $558.73 and *Lucile* account $417.12; whilst decreases occur under Military account $1,244.71; Officers Salaries $250.97 and Public Works $664.64.

The increase under Police account and decrease under Military account are owing to the increase in the number of Police, whilst the guard of Rangers has been correspondingly reduced.

The following figures will show how the Revenue and Expenditure is divided up amongst the Interior and Coast districts.

	1906		1905	
	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Revenue.	Expenditure.
Baram River	$23,273.72	$21,780.92	$18,261.04	$20,997.03
Coast Stations	4,186.10	2,525.95	5,911.98	2,487.54
	$27,459.82	$24,306.87	$24,173.02	$23,484.57

Besides the above mentioned Revenue Export duty to the amount of $30,641 was collected in Kuching on jungle produce shipped from here, and Import duty on Tobacco and Kerosine Oil amounting to $5,184.56, so if these two items were to be included in the Returns from this district, the Revenue would reach the sum of $63,285.38, which, as the corresponding sum for 1905 was $48,037.76, shows a total increase of over $15,000, and a surplus over Expenditure of nearly $39,000.

Trade:—I am glad to say that trade seems to be steadily on the increase and dutiable jungle produce to the value of $214,703 was shipped out of the district during the year.

India Rubber and jelutong continued to be worked in large quantities and 1,256 pikuls of the former and nearly 3,000 pikuls of the latter were shipped. An appreciable increase appears in Gutta Percha and Taram Rattans of which no less than 939 pikuls and 4,538 pikuls were worked as against 139 and 907 pikuls in 1905. Rattan Sega dropped from over 5,000 pikuls to under 2,000 pikuls, so I am afraid that it is true that this valuable rattan is beginning to be worked out.

The Import Trade shows an increase of nearly $2,500, and Export of over $5,600, whilst Foreign Trade Import and Export show a decrease $1,758 and an increase of $1,465 respectively. I should like to note the substantial increase which has taken place in the trade of Miri which was nearly threatened with extinction in 1905, but now jumps to a total of nearly $30,000.

I append the necessary figures.

	1906		1905	
	Imports.	Exports.	Imports.	Exports.
Baram	$153,362	$211,716	$132,485	$158,035
Niah	33,271	48,774	33,735	51,534
Miri	13,713	11,733	9,225	6,240
	$199,706	$272,223	$175,445	$215,809

FOREIGN TRADE.

	1906		1905	
	Imports.	Exports.	Imports.	Exports.
Baram	$5,998	$9,474	$6,844	$7,073
Niah	683	1,711	3,237	3,888
Miri	2,416	2,105	774	864
Total	$9,097	$13,290	$10,855	$11,825

Court:—In the Court some 329 cases were heard and settled, but none of them call for any special note or were in any way what might be called serious crime.

In the Court of Requests 283 summonses and warrants were issued and the sum of $10,518.56 was passed through Deposits in payments to creditors.

Public Works:—New Police Barracks for married men were built at the beginning of the year and consist of a good substantial house with bilian posts and shingles; but as matrimony seems to find favour in the eyes of the guardians of the Peace, the accommodation for married couples will soon have to be increased.

New Kitchens for the unmarried Fortmen and prisoners have also been erected, thus doing away with the unsightly hovels which clung to the Fort hill overhanging the river and spoilt the appearance of the station.

The Ridan Road has been prolonged another ½ mile, and as the land there is being taken up by Chinese and Malays for gardens, I have promised them at a future date to make a road to the end of the point where it will join the Kampong Road.

A New Road is also in course of construction from the Police Station to connect with the Limbang Road, which will divert a lot of traffic that at present passes the Fort, which will be a great gain in privacy and quiet. All the other Roads have been put in a state of thorough repair.

General:—Aban Tingang, the Kenyah Penghulu, was dismissed from his office as being utterly unsuitable for Government work, and Tama Lawai Jau has been appointed to succeed him.

During the month of June a party of Rejang and Bintulu Dyaks under one Baong attempted to attack the Kenyahs in the Silat R.; but as these people were on the 'qui vive', I having already given them warning, the Dyaks evidently thought that they were not strong enough and so passed on, without molesting them, to the Batang Kayan R., from whence I hear that they have since returned having suffered a loss of 4 men killed.

Your Highness accompanied by Mr. H. F. Deshon paid your annual visit to the station on June 16th.

Mr. King paid a visit to the Tinjar River during October, whilst in November I went for a long tour amongst the Kayans, Kenyahs and Kalabits in the Uln Baram.

All the Kayans and Kenyahs living in the Pata, Akar and Apoh Rivers have expressed a desire to return to their old homes in the main Baram River. I readily agreed to this, as it should be a very good thing for trade, as well as making Government work a good deal easier.

I regret to state that a Kalabit woman named Sima Kayong has been killed by the Pa Mada Kalabits to whom she had been given by the Bah Kalabits as 'lawi'. This is the only crime of violence that has happened during the past year.

I am glad to say that the Malays of Claudetown started farming this year, and as they appear to be fairly successful I trust that they will continue to do so in the future, as this will do away with a good deal of the hardships of the 'landas'.

The health of district has been good and no serious disease has been prevalent during the year.

The rainfall for the year was 77.53 inches.

I have the honour to be,

Rajah,

Your Highness's obedient Servant,

R. S. DOUGLAS,
Resident.

OYA ANNUAL REPORT.

RAJAH.—I have the honour to submit to Your Highness Oya report for the year ending 31st December 1906 with comparative statement of Revenue and Expenditure for the years 1905 and 1906.

Statement of Net Revenue for the years 1905 and 1906.

	1905.	1906.	Decrease.	Increase.
	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.
Assessment a/c	134.00	130.00	4.00	...
Cattle a/c	114.03	94.16	19.87	...
Charity a/c	...	1.62	...	1.62
Court a/c	2,545.84	3,278.10	...	732.26
Currency a/c	87.84	...	87.84	...
Custom a/c	34.16	39.13	...	4.97
Dyak Revenue	310.00	244.00	66.00	...
Exemption Tax a/c	2,996.00	2,918.00	78.00	...
Express a/c	...	30.40	...	30.40
Farms a/c	795.00	858.00	...	63.00
Licenses a/c	331.00	359.00	...	28.00
Light House and Buoys a/c ...	175.27	206.10	...	30.83
Medical a/c	1.65	.45	1.20	...
Military a/c	12.90	10.42	2.48	...
Post Office a/c	29.26	20.16	9.10	...
Prison a/c	1,269.22	1,845.23	...	576.01
Probate a/c	94.19	45.60	48.59	...
P. W. D. a/c	3.30	...	3.30	...
Registration a/c	106.00	102.50	3.50	...
Timber Royalty a/c	8.30	15.73	...	7.43
Stamps a/c	33.27	30.37	2.90	...
	$9,081.23	$10,228.97	$326.78	1,474.52

Statement of Net Expenditure for the years 1905 and 1906.

	1905.	1906.	Decrease.	Increase.
	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.	$ c.
Alligator Rewards a/c	...	2.79	...	2.79
Assessment a/c	6.70	6.50	.20	...
Astana a/c	13.99	...	13.99	...
Cattle a/c	160.84	246.68	...	85.84
Charity a/c	11.60	21.64	...	10.04
Court a/c	1,841.66	1,496.48	345.18	...
Native Officers a/c	...	720.00	...	720.00
Dyak Revenue a/c	...	46.00	...	46.00
Exemption Tax a/c	294.60	291.80	2.80	...
Express a/c	596.76	833.65	...	236.89
Licenses a/c	.50	...	.50	...
Light House and Buoys a/c	352.62	239.82	112.80	...
Medical a/c	4.07	.76	3.31	...
Military a/c	12.85	13.70	...	.85
Officers a/c	1,720.00	1,755.00	...	35.00
Post Office a/c	...	15.21	...	...
Prison a/c	1,208.74	1,583.49	...	374.75
P. W. D. a/c	1,107.85	1,976.69	...	868.84
Registration a/c	.50	...	.50	...
Police a/c	1,216.03	1,291.70	...	75.67
Miscellaneous Plantations a/c ...	...	23.60	...	23.60
Church and Education a/c	120.00	120.00	...	...
Custom a/c	1.55	2.27	...	.72
	$8,670.86	$10,687.78	$479.28	$2,496.20

The Revenue for the past year shows a satisfactory increase of $1,147.74 over that of 1905, the receipts under Courts, Licenses, Light House and Buoys, Farms and Prison being mainly responsible for the result.

Under Expenditure, the disbursements made for the erection of Court Writer's and Clerk's houses, for alterations and additions to Government buildings, for a paid mower in the ornamental grounds, for the purchase of materials for projected buildings to be undertaken in 1907, for travelling expenses incurred by the regular monthly visits of the Government to Dalat station, the transport of mails and other like outlay, are accountable for the increase.

General.—The chief event was the arrival of Your Highness on 27th February accompanied by Mr. H. F. Deshon A. D. C. on a visit to the Station. It was hoped that Your Highness would proceed up to Dalat in the neighbourhood of which live the greatest number of the population of this river and all of whom were anxious to see and pay there respects to Your Highness. But it was not expedient for this visit to be undertaken as Your Highness left for Mukah first thing on the following morning.

During January Pangeran Sawar, the Imaum, died, and one Brahim, the former Belal, was elected to fill the vacancy.

One eventful occurrence was the arrival of the s. s. *Sarawak* which commenced running to this port in February in connection with the raw sago trade. Judging by the total tonnage of schooners entering and clearing from here this small steamer's running has not, as yet, affected the trade carried by them.

On the 1st of May I, acting under orders, left Oya for Kuching and Matang, having been relieved by Mr. Lawrence, to report on the Matang Coffee and Tea Estate, and on it's completion returned again to Oya on 6th June and took over from Mr. Lawrence.

Dyak affairs in the Ulu Oya are in a quiet and settled state,

The cruel murder of two Bukitans, who had but lately moved from the Oya river into the Mukah where they met their deaths, still remains a mystery as no trace of the perpetrators has been found. Suspicion places the horrible deed at the door of the Mikai Pambars.

During the year some 750 cocoanut plants were purchased and most of them have been planted out along the side of the main roads which will be well shaded when the trees are full grown, and the general appearance of the station will be considerably enhanced by fine avenues of this graceful palm, not to speak of the probable benefit that will accrue to the station through their produce.

Trade Returns.—The Export of raw-sago amounting to 325,400 Tampins for 1906 is far in excess of that for 1905, but the prices ruling throughout the year were low.

The quality of raw-sago worked here is extremely fine and gives but little, if any, profit to the producers owing to the wretched prices prevailing.

This industry is far from in a flourishing condition and perhaps measures might be taken to resuscitate it.

Exports.	Imports.
$196,838.44	$112,640.36

I have the honour to be,

Rajah,

Your Highness's obedient Servant,

P. GORDON WHITE,
Officer in Charge.

UPPER REJANG.

February, 4th 1907.

RAJAH,—I have the honour to submit to Your Highness the following report on the revenue, trade, and other matters in this district during the year 1906.

Revenue.—The revenue in 1906 amounted to $59,036.72 which when compared with that of the previous year shows a decrease of $3,805.45; this is accounted for by a decrease in fines to the amount of $2,940.77, Imports a/c $2,390.28, and Exports a/c $2,270.55.

Expenditure.—The expenditure which amounts to $58,479.41 for 1906 shows an increase of $7,437.40 which is accounted for by an increase of $2,193.23 in Officers Salaries account; $1,122.46 under Public Works account; under Military account $1,738.33; and $1,703.14 on account of repairs in Kuching to the s. l. *La Fée.*

Trade.—Owing to the prevalence of small-pox amongst the Dyaks during the first six months of the year trade was very slack, but I am pleased to be able to report that of late the trade has greatly improved. The Imports show an increase of $20,488, over that of the previous year, but the Exports a decrease of $53,916. Large quantities of rice had to be imported during last year as the "padi" crop was an exceedingly poor one. Of jungle produce the principal exports were rubber 1,631 pikuls, valued at $133,938.00, gutta percha $40,149.00, jelutong $43,108.00, rattans $38,017.00, and timber $57,137.00. More than half of this rubber was worked by Kayans and Punans in the upper waters of the Rejang river.

Public Works.—The Lanang road has been completed, and it is now possible to ride from Sibu to the Lanang pepper gardens, a distance of about five miles. The road is in constant use, and much appreciated by the pepper gardeners. Good substantial bridges of bilian have been built over the streams.

The bridges on the Seduan road have all been rebuilt and all Government buildings have been repaired and put in good order.

After the expedition against the Dyaks of Poi and Machan in May, the Dyaks behaved themselves fairly well. An attempt was made by the Dyaks of Retus, in August, to attack the people of Baram, but they were stopped and the culprits heavily fined; but in December last several parties of rebels assisted, I am informed, by Dyaks from Dutch territory under Apai Beeti, made a number of attacks upon the people of Kanowit and Ngema, in which several Dyaks in the Rasau and Ngema rivers were killed.

The Ulu Ai Dyaks having obtained permission from Your Highners to live in the Balleh last May, a rush was made for that river by all Dyaks living near Kapit, and it was not until they found that the whole of the farming land in the Balleh had been occupied that this rush ceased.

A few have entered the Sut, and some say they intend to return to the Yong and Chermin rivers again after the harvest, as it is impossible to find sufficient land in the Balleh for their requirements.

I have the honour to be,

Rajah,

Your Highness most obedient Servant,

CHARLES HOSE,
Resident 3rd Division.

UPPER SARAWAK, PAKU.

February 6th, 1907.

HEREWITH I append statement of Revenue and Expenditure for 1906 showing a decrease of $253.28 in the former and an increase of $1,754.03 in the latter as compared with 1905.

The principal decreases in the Revenue are in Licenses $300, Registration $251.25 and Stamps $482.48. The increase of $546.69 in P. W. D. is due to the Lighting rate for Seniawan, which has been credited in the a/cs for the first time this year, and to Survey fees on pepper gardens. Road tax amounted to $2,895.16, a small increase as compared with last year.

The chief increases in Expenditure are in Prison a/c $290.34 and in P. W. D. $1,194.30. The increases in the latter are chiefly due to Telephones $301.31, Lighting Seniawan Bazaar $189.27 and Surveys of pepper gardens $181.70 (all new items) and an increase of $270.20 in repairs to bridges chiefly due to the bridge at S. Stu being rebuilt.

Annual Statement of Revenue and Expenditure.

	Revenue.		Expenditure.	
	1906.	1905.	1906.	1905.
Court a/c	$4,030.93	$4,208.83	$2,090.10	$1,852.66
Cattle a/c	67.54	41.00	123.01	154.11
Assessment a/c ..	401.00	317.00	3.00	..
Licenses a/c	679.00	979.00	..	5.00
Post Office a/c ..	17.82	25.79	..	18.07
P. W. D. a/c	3,434.11	2,887.42	4,579.96	3,385.66
Land a/c	39.00	78.00	..	..
Prison a/c	1,554.45	1,311.95	1,884.13	1,593.79
Registration a/c ..	588.75	840.00	37.17	13.00
Exemption Tax a/c ..	256.00	214.00	..	2.00
Probate a/c	69.00	199.32	..	..
Timber Royalty a/c ..	3.41	16.94	..	2.00
Stamps a/c	938.50	1,410.98	..	..
General Miscellaneous a/c	..	..	93.18	..
Medical a/c	..	..	49.25	16.94
Profit and Loss a/c ..	454.70	256.36	48.70	..
Police a/c	..	.90	2,113.26	2,029.10
Military a/c	..	..	989.13	1,115.93
European Salaries a/c ..	..	..	3,960.00	3,960.00
Church and Education a/c	..	..	231.00	252.00
Express a/c	..	..	9.60	11.04
Charity a/c	..	..	1.00	2.26
	$12,534.21	$12,787.49	$16,202.49	$14,408.46
Revenue—Decrease ..	$253.28	..	..	..
Expenditure—Increase ..	..	..	$1,754.03	..

I have the honour to be,

Rajah Muda,

Your Highness' most obedient Servant,

H. R. A. DAY,
Resident.

TRUSAN.

February 12th, 1907.

RAJAH MUDA.—I have the honour to report as follows for this district for the year 1906.

Revenue and Expenditure.—The Revenue amounted to $6,174.07 and Expenditure to $6,459.10 being an increase in the former of $1,592.87 and a decrease in the latter of $2,114.48 or a nett increase in the revenue of $3,707.45.

Customs a/c shows an increase of $1,454.64 and Farms a/c. $360; in the expenditure the decrease is owing to that in Officer's Salaries a/c. there having been no payments under this head for the latter half of the year.

Public Works.—The sum of $775.21 was expended under this head, a decrease of $339.41, and the works chiefly consisted of repairs to buildings and up-keep of roads.

Trade.—The trade returns for the year are as follows:—

Imports $49,710 Exports $40,626

but as no returns were kept during the first half year in 1905, presumably on account of there being no clerk here, comparison cannot be made for the whole year. For the latter half year corresponding with the same period in 1905 the figures are as follows and show a substantial increase in the trade.

July 1st to December 31st 1906.	Imports	$20,029	Exports $17,049
" " " 1905.	do	10,144	do 7,618
	Increase	$9,885	Increase $9,431

or a total increase in the half year of $19,316.

The chief export was that of damar which increased from $900 in 1905 to $7,428 in 1906, for the half year, which alone shows the Muruts and others have taken to working produce again and good prospects for further increase in trade and revenue for the ensuing year.

Native affairs.—With one exception matters have progressed very quietly amongst the Muruts, the exception being that of the murder of one Akang which came before the Court in the early part of the year. The actual murder took place, however, at the end of the previous year but did not come to light until January, when information was given that Akang had been shot by Kading and had not died of small-pox. Kading was arrested, tried and found guilty, and sentenced to 15 years imprisonment. Amongst the Besaya and Malay population there were no cases of serious crime or any that call for particular comment.

As remarked above many, both Muruts and others, are working produce again, having ceased or almost ceased doing so for about 3 years owing to the epidemics of cholera and small-pox.

Two large houses of Muruts from beyond Tengoa moved down to the lower waters during the year and more are to follow after the harvest. As there is a large extent of land between the Suang and Tengoa suitable for farming there is nothing to prevent many more from moving down.

Staff.—Mr. Cox, who was in charge of the station for some years, being appointed to Bintulu I took over from him in May according to instructions from Your Highness.

I have the honour to be,

Rajah Muda,

Your Highness' most obedient Servant.

O. F. RICKETTS,
Resident, Limbang.

SADONG.

February, 1907.

RAJAH MUDA,—I have the honour to make the following report to Your Highness on the affairs of this District for the year 1906.

Revenue.—The total net Revenue was $14,239.43. This would show a slight increase over that of 1905 but for the fact that some of the Native Officers were late in sending in their accounts and the amounts had to be credited in 1907.

The items that would have been affected were Licenses and Timber Royalty, both of which would have shewn increases instead of decreases as under. Fewer fines were inflicted ($1,593.38 as against $1,884.42) and the greater number of fines imposed at the Colliery were not paid, the coolies being imprisoned.

Fees amounted to $887.50 against $851 in 1905.

Expenditure.—The total net Expenditure was $15,504.26. This is an increase over that of 1905.

The chief increases are under :—

Officers Salary	$372.00
Court	273.62
Police	117.68
Public Works	2,618.71

None of these call for especial notice except the last which will be explained below.

The prisoners totalled 134 for the year and there has been an immense amount of work for them to do. One or two bad characters were sent to Kuching gaol.

I append a list of Revenue and Expenditure for the year.

Public Works.—All roads—which are unfortunately but few in number—and paths have been re-made and raised several feet above the original level to ensure their being above high water at spring tides. A new road has been cut through from the Bazaar to the rail and thence a short distance on in the direction of Sdiloo. Large quantities of stone have been brought from the Mines for this purpose, there being no material at hand, and the Manager of the Colliery has allowed special trains to be run on Sundays and holidays to bring down stone and slag. Roads are now in good order but of course will require repairing at intervals of some months to keep them so. No money has been spent in repairing the paths across river as the Hospital is likely to be removed elsewhere.

The Kampong road has been re-made in parts.

All the bridges have been rebuilt, they being in a tumble down condition. The ornamental grounds have been brought up to the new road by taking in an old sago plantation which has been cleared and grassed. All the grounds have been ditched and drained by ditches running inland to the Simunjan River.

Two Offices have been added to the Court thus giving a little more room. The Colliery Court has been rebuilt, it being quite rotten, and a small house built for the 2nd clerk in place of the old leaf attap building at the wharf. The prisoners did a certain amount of work on Colliery roads and ditches and one bridge was built there, but Mine coolies soon fill up the ditches with rubbish and seem to prefer them so.

His Highness the Rajah having sanctioned a scheme for supplying Simunjan with drinking water from the Ngli mountain, no time was lost in carrying it out, and the supply is now complete. Some of the cost appears under 1906 Public Works, but the greater part has not yet been charged. This water will bring in a rate of $300 a year and the value of such a supply to such a place as this, which is flooded with muddy salt water at nearly every spring tide, cannot be too highly estimated. Water was previously brought 4 miles by rail in jars.

Court.—There were a fair number of cases brought before the Police Court, the greater number being assaults by Mine coolies. The Pangarah of Mupuh was fined $300 for swindling Government in respect of Dyak Tax and keeping back a large amount of it. I fancy a good deal of this goes on among the Dyaks away on the Border but it is difficult to detect.

A number of land cases were heard and settled, but land disputes among Land Dyaks are legion and many more—mostly trivial—remain unsettled still.

Wharf.—His Highness having sanctioned the construction of a new wharf and shed when he visited the Station in May, the work was put in hand at once, the 1st pile being driven early in July. Fortunately there is a splendid supply of timber in the District. By the end of the year the sheds were completed and the wharf nearly so. The line of rail has been brought round in a curve to the sheds through which run a double line to facilitate discharging and shunting of trucks. At low water there are 19 feet outside the wharf and at spring tides 40 feet at the top of high water. The old sheds have been demolished and the site allowed to go to grass. The old wharves have almost entirely disappeared.

Colliery.—There was a change of Managers during the year, Mr. E. R. Naysmith taking over the management from Mr. J. Sage who returned to England. Mr. Maddocks came as Assistant and Mr. A. Colledge, the engineer, was replaced by Mr. C. Lange.

The out-put of coal for the year was 19,573 tons 9 cwt.

The old and unsanitary coolie lines and Malay houses at No. 4 Mine have been razed and new ones erected and the ground round them partly drained. A great many other improvements have been made since the advent of the new Manager. Although there are so many hundreds of coolies working underground at the Colliery not a single fatal accident happened there. One coolie was killed by being thrown out of a hutch on the incline at No. 8 Mine on which he was riding contrary to regulations and several accidents happened on the line, though none were fatal.

Medical.—The health of Simunjan has been good. Small-pox has been a good deal about in the Ulu,

the Dyaks being the sufferers there. Koran Kampong of Dyaks alone lost over 100 people and most of the other houses of Dyaks have lost from 10 to 50 people. Of course this has caused failure of the paddy crop in most cases and large amounts of tax have been remitted (*vide* Dyak Revenue for 1907.)

However, I trust this visitation is now over and that 1907 will show no more deaths from the disease.

In the Hospital 325 patients were under treatment at different times, but the number on any day under treatment was never more then 14. This is satisfactory.

I append a list of patients admitted with the diseases for which they were treated:—

Ulcers, cuts and wounds etc.			209
Beri-beri	...	...	108
Dysentery	...	...	7
Paralysis	....	...	1
		Total	325

43 of the beri-beri cases were sent to Kuching Hospital, 59 were treated here and 6 others treated here died at Sadong. One Dysentery patient died.

Total deaths in Hospital here 7.

The Hospital is very inconveniently situated and it's removal across river has been suggested, but I am awaiting the advice of the Principal Medical Officer on the subject before doing anything.

Trade.—The Trade Returns are as follows:—

	Exports.		*Imports.*
1906	$236,917.30		$189,619.00
1905	207,829.24		170,880.68
Increase	29,088.06	*Increase*	18,738.32

shewing substantial increases in both cases.

Coal Exported		1905	$108,038.70
Do	do	1906	148,441.30

I enclose lists of Imports and Exports for the year.

The export of Jelutong gutta, I am glad to say, is on the down grade. The sudden demand for Jelutong of course gave the natives work for some time but it has really done a deal of harm, the natives leaving their work and taking heavy advances from traders to work this product. The result was that being able to obtain 2, 3 or even 4 dollars a day sometimes, they spent very much more as a native does, and ran up debts that could not be paid when the price dropped, as it soon did. Scores of natives are still heavily in debt to Chinese traders in consequence, debts that cannot easily be paid off. Now, when this gutta is difficult to work owing to the height of the trees and the necessity of tapping high up the stem, the people are turning their attention to other work and the export of sundries, sugar, rubber, fish and timber have all increased. A quantity of timber has been and is still being supplied to the Kuching P. W. D. All the timber used in the construction of the wharf was worked locally—*Prapat, Truntom, Kapor, Encapang Pinang* and *Billian.*

The Trade of the District is in a satisfactory condition and traders have built and are building new shops in the Sadong Bazaar, great improvements on the tumble down houses previously erected.

The following vessels entered and cleared during the year:—

STEAMERS.

Name.	Trips.	Total Tonnage.
P. S. *Adeh*	3	567
P. S. *Kaka*	2	444
S. S. *Produce*	5	3,690
S. S. *Kuching*	2	1,806
S. S. *Fuime*	1	838
H. H. S. *Zahora*	1	365
S. L. *La Fée*	1	40
S. L. *Young Harry*	1	
S. S. *Alice Lorraine*	8	1,120
Total	24	9,070

SAILING VESSELS.

Name.	Trips.	Total Tonnage.
Banjar Ros	10	570
Sri Pembrian	3	237
Intan Terpileh Zainudin	4	136
Soon Seng Watt	22	1,562
Kim Seng Guan	20	1,460
Chindrawasih	4	284
Kian Ann	28	1,250
Swee Hong Ann	1	68
Lorna Doone	10	1,300
Sri Marion	1	80
Junk *Keng Soon*	1	119
Junk *Soon Seng Lee*	1	70
Total	105	7,146

Coal exported during the year:—

	Cargo.		Bunker.		Total.	
To	Tons.	Cwt.	Tons.	Cwt.	Tons.	Cwt.
Kuching	9,760	14	134	18	9,895	12
Singapore	10,269	13	435	14	10,705	07
Siam	210	11	...	...	210	11
Sibu	198	14	61	09	260	03
Brooketon	111	05	23	...	134	05
				Total	21,205	18

General.—Abang Apong was appointed Tuah of Gedong, Mersin was appointed Tuah of Gompi, Hj. Usop was appointed Tuah of Tabekang.

Mr. Ballingal started to open a rubber plantation in ulu Simunjan but had to leave on account of ill health. He reported favourably of the conditions for planting rubber and I trust he will return and carry out his scheme.

His Highness the Rajah accompanied by Mr. H. F. Deshon visited the Station on the 19th of May.

Messrs. Geikie and Hanny were prospecting for minerals in the Upper Sadong for some time during the year, but I do not know with what result.

The paddy crop down river is doing excellently and the Malays should have a good harvest. The Dyaks up-river will, I am afraid, be badly off for food, most of the hill paddy having failed though that in the swampy ground should prove a fair crop.

I have the honour to be,

Rajah Muda,

Your Highness' most obedient Servant.

D. A. OWEN.
Resident.

Statement of Revenue and Expenditure of Sadong for the year 1906.

REVENUE.

Court a/c ...	$ 2,553.97	Decrease	$ 343.64
Import Duties a/c	125.52	do	51.38
Licenses a/c ...	273.50	do	51.50
Registration a/c	78.75	Increase	18.75
Exemption Tax a/c	1,829.00	Decrease	77.00
Dyak Revenue a/c	4,642.69	do	597.31
Military a/c ...	188.20	Increase	58.90
Loans a/c	2,391.75	do	1,260.83
Police a/c ...	113.44	do	16.00
Post and Shipping Office a/c	104.49	do	25.11
Stamp a/c ...	26.23	Decrease	10.96
Timber Royalty a/c	333.50	Increase	15.35
Medical a/c ...	30.45	do	8.68
Cattle a/c	37.41	Decrease	52.62
Public Works Dept. a/c	188.75	Increase	82.00
Assessment a/c	112.00	do	3.00
Export Duties a/c	.80	Decrease	3.25
Prison a/c ...	1,237.58	Increase	127.86
Express a/c ...	27.40	do	27.10
Total of Net Revenue ...	$ 14,239.43		
Sarawak Treasury ...	131,063.99		
	$145,303.42		

EXPENDITURE.

Officers Salary a/c ...	$2,352.00	Increase	$ 372.00
Court a/c ...	2,604.23	do	273.62
Alligator a/c ...	187.56	do	88.45
Police a/c	797.99	do	117.68
Express a/c ...	409.90	do	31.41
Prison a/c ...	1,020.21	do	8.40
Cattle a c ...	170.31	Decrease	55.36
Medical a/c ...	1,230.46	do	637.34
General Miscellaneous a/c...	116.29	Increase	103.79
Public Works a/c	3,731.14	do	2,618.71
Loans a/c ...	2,435.50	do	1,347.44
Dyak Revenue a/c	239.45	do	15.30
Exemption Tax a/c	120.70	do	.20
Timber Royalty a/c	.70	Decrease	3.95
Licenses a/c ...	1.15	do	.40
Import Duties a/c	5.00	do	.52
Post and Shipping Office a/c	49.54	Increase	37.24
Military a/c ...	8.06	do	5.24
Charity a/c ...	27.00	do	26.00
Profit and Loss a/c	7.01	do	7.01
Total of Net Expenditure ...	$ 15,504.26		
Sarawak Treasury ...	128,477.89		
Total of Gross Expenditure	$143,982.15		

Trade Returns for the year 1906.

IMPORTS 1906.

	$ c.
Salt	3,149.00
Sundries	33,963.00
Brass-ware	1,389.00
Rice	18,179.00
Sugar	956.00
Cloth	25,058.00
Cash	63,374.00
Cocoanut oil	7,009.00
Kerosine oil	3,890.00
K. Tobacco	222.00
J. do	442.00
Arrack	3,450.00
Opium	12,200.00
Iron-ware	9,160.00
S. Fish	1,680.00
Chinese Tobacco	388.00
Crockery-ware	290.00
Gun Powder	570.00
Jewellery	1,236.00
Steel	146.00
Old Jar	300.00
New Jar	104.00
Mats	196.00
Sago	266.00
Pulsometer Pump	430.00
Gutta Percha	10.00
Blachan	453.00
Padi	1,209.00
Total ...	$189,619.00
1906 ...	$189,619.00
1905 ...	170,880.68
Increase ...	$18,738.32

EXPORTS 1906.

	$ c.
Coal	148,441.30
Timber	459.00
Sago	871.00
India Rubber	5,309.00
Gutta Percha	1,463.00
Gutta Jelutong	33,262.00
Mats	1,567.00
Betelnuts	5,398.00
Tampuyak	565.00
Dried Prawns	1,046.00
Prawn Refuse	197.00
Sundries	5,162.00
Cash	13,824.00
Fish Maws	50.00
Sago Refuse	45.00
Blachan	451.00
Ratans	296.00
Sugar	1,166.00
S. Fish	589.00
D. Cake	345.00
Padi	1,730.00
Brass-ware	861.00
Birds-nests	615.00
Buah Kranji	942.00
Rice	425.00
Cloth	8,200.00
Damar	166.00
Jewellery	333.00
Bees-wax	135.00
Maias	4.00
Orchids	25.00
Live Stock	5.00
Boat (Sampan)	60.00
B. Timber	1,951.00
Iron-ware	520.00
Ghara	4.00
Kerosine oil	170.00
Cocoanut oil	88.00
Salt	82.00
New Jar	30.00
Old Jar	420.00
Crockery-ware	100.00
Java Tobacco	5.00
Total ...	$236,917.30
1906 ...	$236,917.30
1905 ...	207,829.24
Increase ...	$29 088.06

MONTHLY REPORTS.

UPPER SARAWAK, PAKU.

December, 1906.

Little of importance happened this month. The small wharf sanctioned by H. H. The Rajah for Seniawan was completed on 18th. The total cost has been $154.84 towards which those Chinese principally interested contributed $51.

The prisoners were occupied most of the month in cutting about 8 feet off the top of the hill at end of Paku Bazaar. Formerly the road had a very abrupt rise but now the gradient is quite easy.

At Seniawan about 4 A. M. on 23rd an assault was committed on a small Chinese boy by one Voon Keyo. By the aid of the owner of the house and another man Voon Keyo made his escape while the police who had been roused by the tremendous outcry were endeavouring to get into the house. Up to date of writing the police have not been successful in arresting Voon Keyo who has now probably made his escape to Sambas. The men who assisted him have been duly sentenced in accordance with Your Highness' instructions.

On the 24th I went to Kuching on short leave.

January.

On the 3rd I returned from leave, having walked up with Mr. Crocker.

On the 8th the squad of Rangers was sent back to Headquarters as the district has been quiet for a long time and no gang robberies have taken place since January last year when Malim was murdered at Musi.

On the 9th I called together all the parents of children whose names are on the school list, as I have noticed for some time that the attendance has become very small. The schoolmaster says the children are taken away by their parents to help work antimony, while the parents say the fault lies with the master who does not keep proper discipline in school. As things are at present it is waste of money for Government to keep open a free school. It would be better to make the schoolmaster a small allowance and allow him to charge a monthly fee or else make attendance compulsory. At Kranji there is a small school which always has a full attendance whenever I visit it, but the master is paid solely by fees.

On the 26th one Choo Paw Look was sentenced to imprisonment for personating a detective.

The prisoners finished cutting down hill at end of Bazaar on 11th and then weeded Buan Road besides widening and metalling part of it that runs through a Dyak pepper garden now abandoned. On 28th they began weeding Ayer Panas road. The bank of the Ayer Panas pool is falling in and it will be advisable to prop it up.

The Hon'ble the Resident having granted permission to engage two men to keep the Seniawan—Lidah Tanah road in order, this has now been done and they began work on 11th. There are now 5 men at a total cost of $75 per month keeping the main roads (10 miles) of this district in order. I have found this arrangement very satisfactory as regards the roads this side of Seniawan, each man having a certain section of the road to look after.

H. R. A. DAY,
Resident.

OYA.

December, 1906.

General.—The Pawn, Arrack and Gambling Farms for this district for the ensuing year were put up for auction and realized prices a little short of those of 1906.

Very little of moment or general interest has occurred this month.

Serious charges of Malversation have been brought against Bujang, Tua Kampong of Medong, who for the last ten years has been the Tua of that kampong and who has up to the present borne a very good character and has been highly respected by everybody.

Minute enquiries are being instituted; this case will come up for hearing shortly.

On the 22nd instant the Resident and Assistant Resident of Mukah arrived and on the 23rd proceeded to Sibu *viâ* Dalat, I accompanying them.

Courts.—Both Police and Court of Requests were very busy during the month. No case however is worthy remark.

Weather.—Very heavy rain fell throughout the month causing considerable damage to roads and drains.

Health.—Influenza is very prevalent.

Trade.—No raw-sago has been exported.

Imports	Exports.
$3,016.46	$2,480.45

January.

On the 2nd instant the Resident, Assistant Resident of Mukah and I returned from Sibu, the two former leaving for Mukah the next day.

On the 8th Abang Haji Taha, who proceeded to Kuching on the death of his father, the late Datu Bandar, and who was detained there by affairs in connection with latter's estate, returned to Oya.

Mr. Cutfield arrived from Sibu on 11th instant to attend the Oya and Dalat regatta which took place on the 17th and 19th instant respectively and at which the 'Cut Band' conducted by Father Anthony played a choice selection.

It is wonderful how the Milanos, practically ignorant of harmony and music, have been taught to accomplish what they do, and well repay the assiduous and indefatigable effort of the Fathers on whom the Band reflects the greatest credit.

On the 20th Mr. Cutfield returned to Sibu.

In addition to the charge of malversation brought against Tua Kampong Bujang, several of the Medong people accuse him of having sold gold-washed silver as gold for which high prices were paid. Inquiries are still proceeding in this regrettable affair.

I went up to Dalat on the 18th instant and returned to Oya at the end of the month, having a great deal to attend to.

I venture to write that the pressing necessity of placing a clerk at Dalat is making itself more and more apparent each time I visit this station.

To remove a clerk from Oya without considerably handicapping the expedition of work here cannot be entertained. An increase in the staff is the only remedy in my humble opinion.

Courts.—In the Police Court some 17 cases were heard consisting of swindling, land, theft, etc. etc., whilst 130 cases were adjudicated on in the Court of Requests.

Fees amounted to $165.50.

Fines totalled $144.63.

One Haji Omar, a Sarawak Malay trading in Dalat, who was permitted after considerable trouble to take a second wife, one Dayang Isah, in August

last, returned suddenly from Kuching where he had been for the last 3 months and without any justifiable grounds divorced the said Dayang Isah.

His procedure in this affair no doubt is in accordance with the custom of this district; but that it is not permitted by the Mohammedan law is not, I believe, open to question.

This matter is being referred to the Divisional Resident.

P. W. D.—Prisoners have been engaged on the roads, ornamental grounds and in erecting a new cattle-shed.

Weather.—Very strong winds have been blowing throughout the month; the last fortnight has been hot and fine.

Trade.—

Exports.	Imports.
$3,510.10	$7,365.15

P. GORDON WHITE,
Officer in Charge.

LAWAS.

December, 1906.

An impudent attempt to foist a palpably short weight upon some Murut vendors of gum occurred in the bazaar at Sloateng, and for expostulating a Murut was struck savagely on the head by a Chinese woman trader and some of the beads of her chaplet broken. The assault brought the false weight to the notice of the police and an exemplary fine was imposed. Had it not been for this assault the false weight would still be fulfilling its purpose, and yet this is one only of instances which daily occur and are not reported.

A number of buffaloes were brought over from Limbang and Trusan by land and sold to Muruts for feasting purposes after the harvest.

The steam launch *Pren* arrived on the 14th instant with Messrs. Davis and Dettiner and again on the 25th instant with the opium farmer of the district.

The death occurred of a Brunei Malay at Kampong Kuala from contact with a large Sting Ray which was said to measure nine feet broad.

Private Mujah, S. R. was sent to Limbang on a charge of insubordinate conduct.

The Exports and Imports were $6,915 and $7,572 respectively.

The rainfall for the month was 23.90 inches, the greater part of which fell during the latter part of the month.

January.

Complaints were made by opium smokers of the quality and price of the drug sold by the Farmer's agent, when the latter admitted he was retailing some inferior stuff taken over from the farm of last year.

Some Muruts from Trusan were detected smuggling gun-powder for sale which they had previously bought at Trusan Fort.

I visited Merapok from the 14th to the 18th instant when I went to the Customs house at the Kuala until the 19th instant.

The Resident Mr. Ricketts arrived in the s. l. *Gazelle* on the 25th instant.

Pangeran Haji Ismail and Matassim from the Kuala visited the Resident on the 30th and 31st instant, when various matters were brought forward by them for discussion.

P. C. Pali was dismissed the Police force.

The rainfall for the month was 5.68 inches.

IVONE KIRKPATRICK,
Officer in Charge.

MILITARY.

ORDERLY ROOM, SARAWAK RANGERS

January 31st, 1907.

RAJAH,—I have the honour to submit to Your Highness my report on the Military Department for month of January 1907.

His Highness The Rajah Muda arrived here on January 17th and was received with a salute of twenty-one guns and a guard of honour of one hundred men.

On the 23rd His Highness, accompanied by the Commissioner of Public Works inspected the Fort and barracks, and ordered temporary repairs to be done to the former.

His Highness expressed himself pleased with the appearance of the new barracks.

Strength of the regiment.—I enclose Your Highness a Parade Statement. During the past month six privates have left time-expired, and one L. Corporal Goyang, having completed twenty-one years service, has retired on pension. Four recruits have joined. Bugler Agoor has been discharged on the P. M. O's recommendation as medically unfit; he is suffering from chronic dysentery which owing to his refusing to obey the doctor's orders whilst in hospital has rendered him unfit for further service.

Conduct.—There were three serious crimes during the past month, two of them being asleep whilst on sentry, and the third a robbery from a comrade.

Desertions.—One only. A recruit named Pte. Tiam, who only joined some four months ago, deserted on January 5th. Having received information that this man had returned to his home at Banting, I wrote to the Resident Simanggang asking him to have Pte. Tiam arrested and sent down to headquarters under escort. This was done, and on his being brought before the Court was sentenced by His Highness the Rajah Muda to a term of imprisonment.

Health.—A good many men have been down with fever, chiefly Sepoys, but no cases of serious illness have occurred amongst the men here. The Resident Muka reports the death of one Pte. Anggah II, one of the squad stationed there—cause unknown.

Ammunition.—Two hundred kegs of blasting powder for use at Sadong mine have arrived; also five hundred copper friction tubes for seven pounder field guns. Regarding the latter I hope now that miss-fires with these guns will no longer occur, as these new tubes are of a later pattern and packed in better tins than those we had formerly.

Equipment.—The new equipment, consisting of one hundred Black Leather Belts and Braces, two hundred Frogs for Sword Bayonets, two hundred Black Leather Rifle Slings and one hundred Black Leather Pouches, has now arrived and in cases where necessary has been served out. I propose, subject to Your Highness' approval, that some of our older equipment should be sent to the outstations for use of the Rangers stationed at them, as a good deal of the equipment now in use at the outstations requires renewing.

The Fort.—In accordance with His Highness the Rajah Muda's instructions temporary repairs are now being carried out to the roof of the fort. These will, I understand, consist in putting a tin roof on top of the present one, and will no doubt keep the place watertight; but, on the other hand, we shall not be able to place either any number of men or a gun on top of the fort as was the case before and which, in case of any trouble arising, would be a very useful thing to be able to do.

Barracks.—The work of rebuilding the married men's quarters (the ones near the Orderly room) is

being carried on and should be finished during the present month. There has been very little rain during the latter part of the month, so the work has gone on almost continuously.

Powder Magazine.—The Instructor, Mr. Scott, having reported that white ants were doing a lot of damage to the kegs of powder stored in the two magazines in fort, I inspected them, and, on lifting the floors which consisted of loose bilian planks, found the space between them and the ground one mass of these insects. After having had both magazines well cleaned out I obtained the consent of the Hon'ble The Resident to have the floors cemented, and as neither magazine is very large this has now been done at a very small expense. On lifting the floors I also found that the ground beneath was very damp, and this, coupled with the fact that the kegs containing the powder were constantly being eaten through by the white ants, has no doubt been responsible for the deterioration of some of the powder stored in these magazines.

The squads of Rangers lately stationed at Paku and Bau have now been sent back to headquarters, as I understand that everything being now quiet they are no longer required at these stations.

I have the honour to be,

Rajah

Your Highness' most obedient Servant,

S. CUNYNGHAME,
Acting Commandant.

MATANG ESTATE.

January.

During the month coolies have been employed to supplying young coffee field and lending labour in weeding contracts, gathering coffee and tea.

The crops gathered during the month were 38½ piculs parchment coffee and 267 lbs tea.

The balance of last year's coffee and tea will be despatched as soon as the coffee is sufficiently dry and cleaned.

From the beginning of the year the rates of weeding contracts have been reduced 25 cents per acre per month with the exception of 14 acre field which is always weedy.

The total amount of weeding contracts per month $367.63 instead of $416.66 per month last year, a reduction of $49.03 per month is being made till the end of the year, and all lent labour has been charged 33 cents per head instead of 30 cents as hitherto charged.

Mr. Grove paid the Coolies' wages for December on the 4th instant.

J. M. GOMEZ,
Manager.

KAPIT.

January.

On the 4th I left for Kapit having spent New Year at Sibu. On my arrival here Mr. de Rozario reported that he had arrested a Dyak, by name Injah, who was concerned in the murder of 5 Kanowit Dyaks at foot of the Pilagus rapids and this man was sent to Sibu on remand and the case has been fully reported to the Hon'ble the Divisional Resident of the 3rd Division.

On the 16th Nyanggow of Ngmah arrived and reported that a Chinaman by the name of Ah Ee, from Kanowit, was killed in the Ngmah by a party of Dyaks who are said to have come from Mikai Pambar; I have reported this to the Hon'ble the Resident of the 3rd Division.

On the 21st I left for Balleh, going as far as the mouth of Gat. I collected in a number of outstanding fines and informed the Dyaks of Balleh that I would visit them again in April, and divided out the land for farming purposes as I had heard of many complaints about certain Dyaks taking too much land.

On the 28th I started up the Mujong and entered a branch of same called Tio in order to visit the Punans of Bukit Batu. I met these Punans, and they stated that it was the first time they had been visited by a European; they number in all 13, and seem to be dying out.

Mr. Cutfield arrived here during the month on a visit.

The s. s. *La Fee* made 3 trips here and the *Alice Lorraine* one.

I have nothing further to report to Your Highness.

F. A. W. PAGE-TURNER,
Assistant Resident.

MUKA.

January.

Court.—There have been the usual number of cases in both the Police Court and Court of Requests.

Fines and fees amounted to $282.48

P. W. D.—The prisoners (average 19·09) have been employed for the greater part of the month in working on the Oya road and repairing the bridges, which have been much damaged by heavy rains; the road is now in good repair from end to end.

Trade.—One schooner cleared for Kuching with a cargo of 20 coyans of sago, rotans 10 piculs and gutta percha 3 piculs.

No schooners arrived from Kuching.

General.—On the 4th I returned from Sibu together with the Assistant Resident, Mr. A. E. Lawrence. The Officer in Charge of Oya, Mr. P. Gordon White, arrived on the 6th to attend the annual regatta which took place on the 8th, the usual lunch was held in the Fort to which about 150 people sat down.

The regatta was a great success, and everybody seemed to enjoy themselves.

On the 9th Mr. P. Gordon White returned to his station.

Private Anggah, Sarawak Rangers, died on the morning of the 11th, he was buried the same day; I am unable to say what was the cause of death.

Mr. Cutfield arrived on the 13th on a short visit, returning to Oya on the 16th.

Penghulu Intin arrived from up-river on the 18th and reported all quiet among his people.

On the 27th a native had a very narrow escape from a crocodile, he being severely bitten on the right fore arm.

W. J. M. SHAW,
Resident.

UPPER SARAWAK, BAU.

January.

Agreements.—116 have been made out during the month. Stamp duties and fees amounted to $296.

Court.—Fines and fees amounted to $447.78.

There is but little to report for the past month.

Mr. Crocker, Assistant Resident, returned from Kuching on the 3rd instant and was relieved by Mr. La Chard, Cadet, on the 7th, Mr. Crocker going to

Kuching to do duty there. On the 25th Mr. Collins, Cadet, relieved Mr. La Chard and took up his quarters in His Highness the Rajah's bungalow.

Dr. Barker P. M. O. arrived here on the 7th and having visited Bidi returned to Busau on the 9th; he also came up again on the 17th going on to Puak the same day. He arrived again on the 24th leaving on the 25th, and on the 31st bringing Dr. Bruce Lowe with him.

On the night of the 15th Tsen Choon's house was entered and his box containing cash $15 and some clothes was stolen. The occupants of the house which is on a pepper garden were not aware of the theft till next morning.

On the 24th Boo Chin's house at Puak was entered at night by three Chinese, having beaten him and his wife severely they left again. Boo Chin stated the men were strangers from Seniawan and he only knew them by sight, I, however, hear that there was a woman at the bottom of the matter.

Eo Tek Seng, the *Kangchew*, was severely reprimanded for not reporting this assault at once; he left it for Boo Chin to do when he was sufficiently recovered, which was not till 7 days after. The *Kangchew* was warned that he will be removed from his position should such a thing occur again.

It is worthy of note that considerably more pepper has been exported from Sarawak in 1906 than in 1905; this bears out what I have reported before *i.e.*, that last year's crop was an exceptionally good one, the shortage in pepper delivered to persons entitled to the crop has not been consequent upon a poor crop, but simply the effect of illicit selling of the crop by the gardeners.

The prisoners average 17·4 have been employed on up-keep of roads and grounds, etc.

E. R. STILWELL,
Resident.

BINTULU.

January.

On the 1st, New Year's Day, the usual games and boat races were held and a dinner given in the Fort to the chief men of the District.

Court.—There have been the average number of cases but mostly petty ones.

A Tatau Dyak Kaya was sentenced to 18 months imprisonment for theft of cash and various ornaments from a Langkow and afterwards burning down the hut whereby a lot of property was lost.

Tamban was sentenced to 3 months for breach of contract, and Senis Dulla and Ajak to six weeks each for contempt of Court.

On the 31st Ajak escaped from the prison gang but was recaptured the same night.

The next morning it was reported that some other Kadayans who were wanted in Court for debts had absconded by boat, so this man had most likely arranged to get away with them as he is also a Kadayan.

On the 9th a meeting of the Pandan Punans was held to elect a new Chief in place of Tama Anui, a very old man; Tama Jan, his son, was elected.

On the 15th the party of 35 Dyaks, who lately arrived here from the Batang Lupar without passes, were sent to Kidurong to await the steamer to return them to their own country: they did not get away till the 22nd, by p. s. *Kaka*; they lost one of their party and there was a good deal of sickness amongst them while waiting, most likely caused by eating poisonous crabs and shell-fish, as they were eating sorts which coast people will not touch.

The s. s. *Sarawak* only made one trip during the month arriving on the 31st.

Imports amounted to $2,907, Exports $4,006.

E. A. W. COX,
Resident.

SIMANGGANG.

January.

Ulu Ai Affairs.—Mr. Lang with the relief guard (two boats) left for Lubok Antu on the 5th and Mr. Baring-Gould being relieved returned to Simanggang on the 7th.

Writing from L. Antu on the 12th Mr. Lang reported that an Engkari Dyak had just come in with the intelligence that a force of the Ulu Ai Dyaks under Imba (Ngumbang's son-in-law,) and Renggah (Bantin's younger son)—which was said to number about a thousand men—had returned from raiding ulu Julau (Rejang.) They killed there thirty-one persons, and, it is said, took some prisoners; these raiders only lost two men.

This story confirms my surmise in my December Report that Ngumbang, Bantin, etc., would not come to meet me at L. Antu as Imba and the bulk of their followers were out on the war-path.

Directly this force had returned Apai Biti's (Amal) followers went out. I understand that their intention was to raid the Dyaks under Embuas (nephew and adopted son of the late P. Barau,) and Chendan, who live near Wong Mutan, as they accuse them of having joined in the night attack made on their force at Ulu Kaung last year when they were retiring having raided Grinang's house in the Sremat (below L. Antu.) I have never heard before that any of Embuas' people were concerned in attacking these Dyaks. Part of Apai Biti's force came down the main river as far as Karangan Maung but seem to have retired on account of bad omens. They did not move out again during January.

Kana, son of Apai Laja, and Ramba, son of the ex-Pengulu Ngelengkong (who some nine years ago was banished to the Rejang at the united request of the Ulu Ai *tuai,)* came to Lubok Antu to talk about surrendering to the Government; both these young men say they have houses of their own (in the Delok Lalang), the former has nine doors and the latter eight doors; they make the same statement that *they* wish to 'come in' but their followers do not and that they will try to persuade them, and return again to report progress in another month! Ngumbang, it is stated, has now a very large house and following in S. Sumpah, Delok. All the Ulu Ai people are said to be living chiefly upon topioca as there is little or no rice to be got; this, however, seems uncertain.

Appointments, etc.—Subject to Your Highness' approval I have appointed T. Ali second son of the late T. Bagus to succeed his father at Sabuyow.

I have suspended Abang Aiyu of Betong until further orders for unsatisfactory conduct as a Native Officer at Betong Court.

Mr. la Chard arrived at Simanggang on the 31st, per p. s. *Adeh*, having been appointed to do work in this Division.

Miscellaneous Matters.—There seem to have been a number of unfortunate accidents, involving several deaths and loss of property, during January.

Sajai of Bangkong's house, Melugu, Dor, reported here on the 9th that he had shot two young Dyak women, by mistake, having taken them in the *lalang* grass for a *kijang* deer. The Snider bullet passed through the shoulder of the nearest girl and came out through the upper part of her arm, and, carrying a fragment of her bone, pierced the next girl through the breast to a point a little above her heart. The first girl died 12 days after being wounded but the other girl recovered very speedily after having the piece of bone and bullet skilfully extracted at Banting by Mrs. Dexter Allen, M. B.

Duyau, a Dyak widow living in Ulu Layar, was very seriously wounded by a bamboo pig-trap which pierced her thigh just above the knee. This trap was set by one of her own people in Abut's house.

When the woman is able to attend Court the case will be heard at Betong.

Dundang, the *tuai rumah* of Upper Sepak, Sribas, reported the accidental death of Tedong of his house. The deceased, an old man, had climbed a *pingau* tree in order to gather its leaves to use on the farm, when he somehow slipped and fell on to two upright stubs which went through his heart and caused instantaneous death.

Jangi's house (eight doors) at Tinting Bungkang, ulu Padeh, was destroyed by fire whilst all the inhabitants were absent weeding on their paddy farms. Valuable old jars and brassware estimated at over $2,000 were destroyed and nothing was saved.

Private Tiam S. R., a Balau Dyak recruit, who enlisted June 19th 1906, deserted to his home at Chabu, Banting, on January 5th and was followed up by Police Sergt. Godom who traced him up the Strap river and arrested him on the 16th and took him back to Headquarters the same day.

Ah Jim of Sabu village reported that his house was set on fire outside by some person or persons unknown on the night of January 19th. He lost all his paddy and most of the contents of his house which was burnt to the ground. The Police examined the remains of the house and it seems most probable that the fire was caused by the inmates themselves.

Drahman (ex-Corporal S. R.) formerly of Galau's house, a Banting Dyak who turned Mohamedan some years ago, together with two Saratok Malays, his friends, went to Banting and were there found to be selling what the Malays call *tangkal padi*, or charms to protect the paddy against ravages by rats! This ancient superstition that charms can be used to protect the paddy has long been exploded in other places, but it seemed to appeal, somehow, to the Banting Dyaks (in spite of the advances they have made in *civilization*) and they flocked to purchase the meaningless scrawls (not even verses from the Koran!) on pieces of paper rolled up in bamboos which were to be put up on the farms. The price charged was eighteen cents, or one fowl, for each charm, and this would have brought in a goodly sum but before it was collected the Police appeared and removed the petty swindlers to Simanggang where they subsequently spent their time, more profitably and economically, in cleaning and repairing the roads.

The dry weather during January enabled the prison gangs to clear out most of the ditches on the plain, and to repair the two main roads from Sabu and Brayun to Simanggang The average number of prisoners working was 27·06.

D. J. S. BAILEY,
Resident.

LIMBANG.

January.

The case against four Adang Muruts and others for being concerned in the theft of six old Jars and other property valued at $800 again came on for hearing; there was, however, no evidence to show that the prisoners had stolen the property and on this charge they were acquitted; the Court held one Seman and the four Muruts responsible for the goods, they having agreed to take charge of them. Seman and the Muruts have gone to Madihit to try to recover the jars if possible.

The other cases brought up were connected with disputes in reference to sago lands and claims for damage to paddi crops by buffaloes.

One Madi, a Kadyan, who was detained pending trial for having taken away a quantity of his wife's private property, made his escape through the carelessness of the guard on duty.

On the 14th I left for Brooketon returning again on the 19th, and on the 25th left for Lawas remaining there for the rest of the month.

The Trade Returns for the month show the following figures.

	Imports.	Exports.
Coasting	$6,434	$7,416
Foreign	4,756	6,374
Total	$11,190	$13.790

The Rainfall for the month amounted to 10.01 inches which fell on 15 days, 1.66 inches being the heaviest fall in any 24 hours.

O. F. RICKETTS,
Resident.

BARAM.

January.

On New Year's Day the usual sports were held and passed off with good feeling and hilarity to the mutual satisfaction of competitors and onlookers. The Government boat won the Long Boat Race for the first time for several years.

Penghulu Ringgir arrived from Bakong on the 14th and reported various matters to me.

On the 17th Mr. King left to visit the Coast Stations *viâ* the Ulu Bakong Road. He returned again on the 27th and reported that everything was going on well at Niah and Sibuti and that the people were up at the caves gathering the birdsnests. He also handed me in the result of his enquiry into the charges brought by Pangeran Akup against Orang Kaya Sabang of Niah. It was found that none of Pang: Akup's charges were proved or had any substance in them so he was fined the sum of $25 and warned to mind his own business in future.

On the 23rd I received news of an affray in the Upper Rejang below Belaga Fort in which two Punans and a Dyak had been killed.

Ili Bawang, the Kalabit chief of the Upper Tutau, arrived on the 28th and paid in his tax. He reported that he had met Ballang Tawi the Pa Kabak chief and that now that the Kayan force had withdrawn from the Ulu Baram, the latter refused to pay in the fine of $300 inflicted on him for attacking the Pa Butong Kalabits.

Orders were issued to the Police to strictly search all boats going to Balait in accordance with the Order *re* Export of the new Dollar.

There has been a good deal of Court work during the month and several rather important cases were held.

Abong, a Dyak, was sentenced to 2 years imprisonment and banishment from the District for defying the Government and for constantly annoying the Kenyahs.

Chop Hap Ann were fined $25 for breach of Order No. I. 1885 *re* receiving money from Dyaks.

Raman, a Brunei, charged another Brunei by name Tundak of enticing away his slave Rebaha. This case, which caused great excitement amongst the Brunei traders, was not proved, but Tundak was fined for holding improper conversation with Rebaha, who was allowed to free himself on the payment of $36.

The prisoners have been employed on the new road at the back of the Fort, whilst the coolies have cleared the cattle field and repaired the fence.

A prisoner named Jarum died on the 2nd and a mad-man named Sait, who had been detained in the lock-up on account of his violent behaviour, suddenly expired on the 7th.

There has been very little rain during the month, the fall only amounting to 6.50 inches.

I have nothing further of importance to report to Your Highness.

R. S. DOUGLAS,
Resident.

KALAKA.

January.

The Malays of the lower part of the main river are commencing their harvesting, but the price of rice is still 2½ gantangs, and paddy 8 gantangs, for a dollar.

The shop-house of the late Ngo Ah Hin who died some time back in Kuching was sold by auction for the sum of $315.

Seman laki Ijut (who is blind) was summonsed for Contempt and desertion and was put in charge of Abang Medaud who goes back to Sibu.

The weather has been fine with very little rain, and the sea is calm.

The Malays are commencing to pay in their Exemption Tax, the amount paid in for the month is $94.

The Rev. F. W. Nichols came down at the end of the month for a change as he had been very ill lately.

The fines for the month are $100.40.

The Trade Returns for the month are:—

Imports.	Exports.
$7,638	$12,855

Nothing of any importance has occurred during the past month.

A. E. CHEYNE,
Writer.

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J. STAPLES,

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CHOP "SENG HAK."

Kuching,
12th December, 1906.

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SIN SENG HAK & Co.

18th January, 1907.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

PER p. s. *Adeh*:—From Lingga, 4th February, The Ven. Archdeacon Sharp, the Revd. F. W. Nichols, the Revd. and Mrs. Dexter Allen; from Rejang—Mr. E. Hose, Mr. and Mrs. Clarke and child.

PER s. s. *Rajah of Sarawak*:—From Singapore, 7th February, The Hon'ble Sir Percy and Lady Cunynghame and child.

PER p. s. *Kaka*:—From Brooketon *viâ* Sadong, 9th February, Miss Hogg, and from Brooketon to Sadong Mr. H. F. May.

PER p. s. *Adeh*:—From Sibu, 16th February, the Very Revd. Father E. Dunn.

PER p. s. *Adeh*:—From Sadong, 21st February, Dr. Barker and Mr. Bradford.

PER s. s. *Rajah of Sarawak*:—From Singapore, 21st February, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Zelsinger, Messrs. Cable, Ireland, J. H. Brodie, and H. L. Owen.

PER s. s. *Kuching*:—From Singapore, 28th February, Messrs. C. J. Wilson and W. E. Horne.

DEPARTURES.

PER p. s. *Kaka*:—For Brooketon and Limbang, 1st February, Mr. C. Morsi.

PER p. s. *Adeh*:—For Sibu, 12th February, The Revd. Father Heyden.

PER s. s. *Rajah of Sarawak*:—For Singapore, 12th February, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Clark, Miss Oliver, Messrs. R. Pawle, C. C. Clarke and T. S. Odom.

PER p. s. *Kaka*:—For Brooketon and Limbang, *viâ* Sadong, 15th February, Miss Hogg, and from Sadong to Brooketon, Mr. H. F. May.

PER s. s. *Kuching*:—For Singapore, 19th February, Mrs. Waddell and Messrs. H. C. Brooke Johnson and E. Smith.

PER p. s. *Adeh*:—For Sadong, 19th February, Dr. Barker and Mr. M. G. Bradford.

PER s. l. *La Fée*:—For Sibu, *viâ* Lingga, 23rd February, for Lingga, Mr. H. L. Owen, and the Revd. and Mrs. Dexter Allen.

PER s. s. *Rajah of Sarawak*:—For Singapore Mrs. Service and child, Messrs. Cable and B. F. Davis.

Kuching, Foreign Trade Returns for the month of Jan, 1907.

IMPORTS.

Articles.	Quantity.		Value.
			$
Aerated Water	cases	310	3,459
Ammunition	...		238
Arrack etc.	...		400
Biscuits	...		2,765
Blachan	piculs	6	61
Beads	...		50
Brass & Copper-ware ...	...		1,914
Boots & Shoes	...		432
Butter & Cheese	...		432
Candles	...		528
Canvas	...		470
Cement	casks	5	30
Clocks and Watches ...	...		500
Cloth			
Cotton	...		27,605
Silk	...		2,310
Clothing			
Cotton	...		9,589
Silk	...		80
Coal	tons	85	599
Coke	tons	90	1,620
Cocoanuts	No.	8,200	405
Coffee			
Liberian etc....	piculs	14	302
In tins	...		144
Coprah	piculs	47	402
Corrugated Iron ...	...		80
Cotton Seed	...		111
Crockery & Glass-ware ...	...		2,998
Curry Stuffs & Sauce etc. ...	...		1,240
Cyanide	cases	320	9,809
Damar	...		266
Drugs and Chemicals ...	...		3,575
Exports Returned to Shippers	...		460
Eggs (salted)	No.	52,760	1,029
Fire-arms	...		250
Fire-works	...		1,506
Fish			
Dried	piculs	403	8,621
Salted	piculs	390	5,775
In tins	...		1,100
Flour	bags	1,918	3,855
Fruit			
Fresh	...		2,327
Dried	...		1,285
In tins	...		266
Furniture	...		291
Ghee	piculs	14	647
Gold	oz.	53	1,800
Grains			
Beans and peas ...	piculs	777	5,046
Padi	piculs	288	800
Rice	piculs	20,820	93,700
Other Sorts	piculs	1,238	2,553
Gunnies new	bales	58	5,090
Do old	bundles	68	1,163
Hams and Bacons ...	...		191
Hats	...		230
Iron-ware	...		6,617
Japanese Curios	...		1,050
Joss Sticks and Papers ...	...		2,588
Kerosine Oil	cases	4,990½	11,828
Lard	piculs	163	3,345
Lamps	...		1,022
Leather	piculs	25	1,536
Live stock			
Cattle	head	20	1,290
Poultry	No.	938	524
Swine	head	395	6,640
Machinery	...		7,453
Mats	...		1,227
Matches	cases	80	1,642
Maccaroni & Vermicelli ...	...		1,750
Milk Condensed	cases	186	1,884
Oils	piculs	340	5,918
Opium raw	chests	20	19,000
Paint, Varnish & Tar ...	...		3,650
Papers	...		3,316
Provisions Sundry ...	...		826
Prawns	piculs	17	465
Do Refuse ...	piculs	1,727	5,394
Rubber seeds and plants ...	...		200
Rickshaws	...		551
Carry forward ...	...		$300,960

IMPORTS.—*(Continued.)*

Articles.			Quantity.		Value.
Brought forward					$860,960
Rope					
Coir ...	...	coils	31		478
Wire ...	...	coils	4		120
Salt	...	piculs	621½		1,045
Soap ...	...		...		1,371
Stationery and Books	...		...		1,577
Straw hats (Chinese)	...		...		77
Straw Shoes (Chinese)	...		...		115
Sugar ...	...	piculs	979		6,031
Sundries ...	...		...		1,472
Tea in Bundles ...	...	boxes	219		2,371
Tea in Tins ...	...		...		93
Timber ...	...		...		3,388
Twine and Thread	...		...		1,666
Tobacco					
in tins Cigars & Cigarettes	...				7,608
Chinese ...	...	cases	195½		8,096
P'bang Java & S'robok etc.		piculs	66½		4,254
Bad or Pepper ...		piculs	338½		10,155
Treasure ...	...		...		3,716
Tuba	...		...		1,025
Vegetables					
Fresh ...	...		...		3,726
Salted ...	...		...		5,664
In tins ...	...		...		25
Wayang Effects ...			...		5,000
Wines and spirits	...		...		13,569
Zinc	...		...		2,473
TOTAL VALUE	...		...		$385,975
Brought forward	...		...		...
Total Value to Date	...		...		385,975
1906	...		...		$290,806

EXPORTS.

Articles.			Quantity.		Value.
					$
Antimony ...	...	tons	95½		5,421
Ant-eater skins	...	piculs	1½		75
Betel-nuts ...	...	piculs	184½		1,218
Bees-wax ...	...	piculs	12		600
Birds-nests ...	...	piculs	8½		2,877
Brass-ware ...	...		...		200
Camphor ...	...	Catties	10¼		456
do Oil ...	...		...		5
Cloth	...		...		135
Coprah ...	...	piculs	55		550
Crockery-ware ...			...		152
Cutch ...	...	piculs	3,510½		17,973
Damar ...	...	piculs	874¼		5,484
Empties ...	...		...		1,356
Fish	...	piculs	7½		266
Gambier ...	...	piculs	1,730¼		10,901
Garru-wood ...	...	piculs	53¼		58
Gold	...	ozs.	5,250		119,100
Gunnies old ...	...	bundles	152		506
Gutta jangkar ...	...	piculs	1,740½		25,077
do Jelotong ...	...	piculs	6,522		39,132
do percha ...	...	piculs	19½		2,097
Hides	...	piculs	10½		220
Imports Returned to Shippers			...		1,396
India Rubber ...	...	piculs	284½		34,726
Iron-ware ...	...		...		405
Kerosine Oil ...	...	cases	57		152
Mats	...		...		108
N. H. Specimens...	...		...		150
Oils	...	piculs	6½		108
Pepper (white) ...	...	piculs	4,709½		118,913
Do (black) ...	...	piculs	1,029½		15,442
Rattans No. 1 sega etc.		piculs	98		930
Rattans No. 2 temoi etc.		piculs	1,080½		3,186
Rice	...	piculs	120		530
Sago flour ...	...	piculs	22,288½		60,479
Salt	...	piculs	5		7
Sugar... ...	...	piculs	2		13
Sugar nipa ...	...	piculs	34		103
Sundries ...	...		...		181
Tengar-bark ...	...	piculs	124¼		252
Timber ...	...		...		4
do (manufactured)	...		...		35
Treasure ...	...		...		8,000
Wayang effects ...	...		...		4,500
Zinc	...		...		36
TOTAL VALUE	...		...		$483,383
Brought forward	...		...		...
Total Value to Date	...		...		483,383
1906	...		...		$555,752

Kuching, Coasting Trade Returns for the month of Jan. 1907.

IMPORTS.

Articles.			Quantity.		Value.
					$
Coal ...	...	tons	698		5,584
Damar ...	...	piculs	1,864		5,001
Gutta Jangkar ...		piculs	959		12,774
Gutta Jelotong ...		piculs	5,419		23,981
Gutta Percha ...		piculs	36⅓		4,030
India Rubber ...		piculs	283¾		24,624
Pepper (white) ...		piculs	126		2,937
do (black) ...		piculs	109		1,619
Rattans No. 1 sega etc.		piculs	292		2,726
Do No. 2 temoi etc.		piculs	82		197
Sago flour ...	...	piculs	1,146¾		3,350
Do raw ...	...	t'pins	24,160		12,080
Sundries ...	...		...		6,272
Treasure ...	...		...		6,809
TOTAL VALUE	...		...		$111,984
Brought forward			...		...
Total Value to Date	...		..		$111,984
		1906	...		$86,019

EXPORTS.

Articles.			Quantity.		Value.
					$
Brass-ware ...	...		...		300
Iron-ware ...	...		...		1,161
Jars	...	No.	43		646
Oil Kerosine ...	...	cases	1,340		3,407
Opium ...	...		...		5,140
Rice	...	piculs	6,149		29,616
Sundries ...	...		...		50,667
Treasure ...	...		...		10,713
TOTAL VALUE	...		...		$101,650
Brought forward			...		...
Total Value to Date	...		...		$101,650
		1906	...		$79,284

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SHIPPING.

Arrivals.

FEB.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG. AND RIG.	TONS.	CAPTAINS OR NAKODAS.	FROM.
4	*Sri Marion*	Sar. sch.	80	Jahar	Rejang
4	*Adeh*	„ str.	189	Jeman	Sibu
6	*Ban Seng Watt*	„ sch.	51	Hj. D'hman	Matu
7	*Rajah of Sarawak*	„ str.	892	Moxon	Singapore
9	*Kaka*	„ „	222	Bandong	Limbang
9	*Sarawak*	„ „	46	Hj. Mat	Bintulu
11	*Soon Seng Watt*	„ sch.	71	A. Yaman	Sadong
11	*Swee Hong Ann*	„ „	68	Gejeh	„
14	*Kuching*	„ str.	903	Waddell	Singapore
15	*Sin Fook Lee*	C. Junk	70	F. H. Choon	Saigon
16	*Adeh*	Sar. str.	189	Jeman	Sibu
20	*Kim Chin Teck*	„ sch.	51	Hj. Assim	Matu
21	*Rajah of Sarawak*	„ str.	892	Moxon	Singapore
21	*Sarawak*	„ „	46	Hj. Mat	Bintulu
21	*Adeh*	„ „	189	Jeman	Sadong
21	*Kaka*	„ „	222	Bandong	Limbang
25	*Soon Seng Watt*	„ sch.	71	A. Yaman	Sadong
25	*Swee Hong Ann*	„ „	68	Gejeh	„
27	*Sin Paw Seng*	C. Junk	70	T. H. Soon	Hainen
28	*Kuching*	Sar. str.	903	Waddell	Singapore

Departures.

Feb.	Vessel's Name.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Captains or Nacodas.	For.
1	*Kaka*	Sar. str.	222	Bandong	Limbang
2	*Swee Hong Ann*	,, sch.	68	Gejeh	Sadong
2	*Kim Chin Teck*	,, ,,	51	Hj. Assim	Matu
5	*Kuching*	,, str.	903	Waddell	Singapore
6	*Banjar Ros*	,, sch.	57	Bakri	Sadong
12	*Ban Seng Watt*	,, ,,	51	Hj. D'human	Matu
12	*Rajah of Sarawak*	,, str.	892	Moxon	Singapore
12	*Adek*	,, ,,	189	Jeman	Sibu
15	*Kaka*	,, ,,	222	Bandong	Limbang
15	*Soon Seng Watt*	,, sch.	71	A. Yaman	Sadong
16	*Sarawak*	,, str.	46	Hj. A. Mat	Bintulu
18	*Swee Hong Ann*	,, sch.	68	Gejeh	Sadong
19	*Adek*	,, str.	189	Jeman	,,
19	*Kuching*	,, ,,	903	Waddell	Singapore
20	*Sri Pembrian*	,, sch.	79	Abg. Sap-ee	Sadong
22	*La Fée*	,, str.	40	Udin	Lingga
24	*Sarawak*	,, ,,	46	Hj. A. Mat	Bintulu
25	*Rajah of Sarawak*	,, ,,	892	Moxon	Singapore
25	*Kim Chin Teck*	,, sch.	51	Hj. Assim	Matu
27	*Soon Seng Watt*	,, ,,	71	A. Yaman	Sadong
27	*Kim Watt Ann*	,, ,,	67	Husin	Muka
27	*Kim Chin Soon*	,, ,,	59	Hj. Sa-at	,,
28	*Kim Chin Siang*	,, ,,	54	Daud	,,

Arrivals.

Date.	Name of Vessel.	Name of Captain.	Where from.	Chinese.		Natives of India.		Other Asiatics.		Total.
				Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	
1907.										
Jan. 3	S. S. *Kuching*	W. Waddell	Singapore	40	5	19	5	...	...	69
,, 10	S. S. *Rajah of Sarawak*	E. T. Moxon	,,	45	2	6	...	2	...	55
,, 10	P. S. *Kaka*	Bandong	Brooketon	10	...	...	...	4	1	15
,, 17	S. S. *Kuching*	W. Waddell	Singapore	159	3	...	...	31	1	194
,, 24	S. S. *Rajah of Sarawak*	E. T. Moxon	,,	36	...	2	...	...	...	38
,, 28	P. S. *Kaka*	Bandong	Brooketon	...	...	1	...	5	...	6
31	S. S. *Kuching*	W. Waddell	Singapore	92	...	6	...	3	...	101
				382	10	34	5	45	2	478

Departures.

Date.	Name of Vessel.	Name of Captain.	Whither bound.	Chinese.		Natives of India.		Other Asiatics.		Total.
				Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	
1907.										
Jan. 2	P. S. *Kaka*	Bandong	Brooketon	4	1	1	...	3	...	9
,, 2	S. S. *Rajah of Sarawak*	E. T. Moxon	Singapore	61	2	6	...	4	...	73
,, 8	S. S. *Kuching*	W. Waddell	,,	63	...	4	2	1	...	70
,, 15	S. S. *Rajah of Sarawak*	E. T. Moxon	,,	132	2	3	...	...	...	137
,, 21	Pinnace	Loka	P. Sarasan	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
,, 21	P. S. *Kaka*	Bandong	Brooketon	3	...	1	...	6	...	10
,, 22	S. S. *Kuching*	W. Waddell	Singapore	48	4	9	...	6	2	69
,, 24	Bdg. *Tongkang*	Mohamed	Sambas	...	...	...	...	2	...	2
,, 27	S. S. *Rajah of Sarawak*	E. T. Moxon	Singapore	10	...	1	...	1	...	12
				321	9	25	2	24	2	383

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METEOROLOGICAL READINGS.

Kuching Observatory.

Observations Taken Daily at 8 a. m. February, 1907.

Date.	TEMPERATURE. Barometer.	Maximum.	Minimum.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Wet Minimum.	Thermometer in the sun.	Remarks at 8 A. M.	Sunshine in 24 hours.	Rainfall in 24 hours.
									hrs. min.	
1	30·00	85°8	73·0	73·7	72·5	72·3	141·3	Fine	7·30	52
2	30·00	83·4	72·1	76·2	75·2	71·8	143·1	Dull	6·30	73
3	30·05	85·4	73·4	74·1	73·3	73·0	153·4	Rain	4·40	83
4	30·04	81·7	72·7	74·3	73·8	72·3	131·8	do	3·20	2.28
5	30·00	81·4	74·8	75·1	74·4	74·3	140.0	Dull	1·40	22
6	30·03	84·9	72·9	77·8	75·1	72·3	148.4	do	5.00	—
7	30·04	85·8	72·9	77·1	75·2	72·7	157·4	Fine	5·30	2.78
8	30.02	83·4	72.2	74·1	73·6	71·9	146·0	Rain	2·30	—
9	30·00	87·8	72·8	76.1	74·4	72·3	148·8	Fine	6·20	78
10	29·98	87.4	72·8	76·3	74·6	72·3	153·0	do	6·40	06
11	29·97	85·7	75·4	76·6	75·1	74·8	148·1	Dull	7·30	03
12	29·93	83·2	73·8	77·9	76·3	73·6	145·4	Fine	1·20	23
13	29.95	84·4	74·4	77·9	76·4	74·0	142·7	Shwry	1·30	16
14	29·96	85·8	73·8	78·1	76·3	73·5	148·6	Fine	2·30	—
15	29·97	84.6	73·2	76·9	75·6	73·0	140·4	do	1.40	04
16	30·01	89.0	72·8	77·1	75·1	71·9	153.0	do	6·20	60
17	30·02	85·4	70·7	75·3	73·4	70·5	154·4	Dull	2·30	96
18	29·99	86·9	73·1	74·1	73·1	72·5	151·2	Fine	7·00	02
19	30·05	88·1	72·1	76·4	75·3	71·6	158·2	Dull	3·20	97
20	30·03	84·4	71·1	74·1	73·0	70·7	156·2	do	2·50	2·63
21	30·04	84·7	71·9	72·6	71·6	71·4	123·2	Rain	0·20	04
22	30·00	87·5	74·1	74·8	73·7	73·7	150·4	Dull	6·30	29
23	29·97	84·0	73·3	75·8	74·3	73·1	150·8	Fine	2·00	65
24	30·00	87·2	71·7	75·4	74·3	71·3	157·1	Dull	3·20	41
25	29·98	88·6	73·5	74·9	73·6	73·3	150·2	do	7·00	—
26	30·03	85·1	73·7	78·1	76·3	73·3	135·0	Fine	1·20	71
27	30·05	86·4	72.8	75·2	74·1	72·3	154·0	Dull	2·10	56
28	30·05	87·4	72·8	73·1	72·3	72·3	156·2	Rain	5·00	21

Total rainfall during the month 16.71 inches.
Highest recorded temperature 89·0 °F.
Lowest ,, ,, 70·7 °F.
Height of observatory above sea level approximately 100 feet.

Note.—For the present we discontinue to publish the observations of temperature and of rainfall taken at the Museum. Early in February it was found by actual measurement that the raingage was faulty and this unfortunately has been the case since 1891. The rainfall recorded from the Museum has been uniformly too low but it becomes approximately correct if multiplied by 1·19.

Records taken during the last twenty days with a correct guage shew that the rainfall at the Museum is practically identical with that at the observatory. The temperature observations taken at the Museum are quite correct but they do not give so fair an indication of what is ordinarily understood as shade temperature as do those taken at the observatory seeing that there is not free circulation of air in the neighbourhood of the Museum thermometers.

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MARCH, 1907.

English. Week.	English. Month.	Chinese. Moons.	Chinese. Dates.	Mo'dan. Months.	Mo'dan. Dates.	Moon's Phases, Etc. 7th Last quarter ☽ 14th New moon ● 22nd First quarter ☽ 30th Full moon ○	High water at Kuching. A. M. h. m.	High water at Kuching. P. M. h. m.
F	1	1	17	Moharram.	16	.....	6 9	6 26
S	2		18		17	.....	6 42	6 59
S	3		19		18	**iii. Sun. in Lent** ..	7 17	7 35
M	4		20		19	.....	7 54	8 12
Tu	5		21		20	.....	8 30	8 48
W	6		22		21	.....	9 8	9 30
Th	7		23		22	.....	9 54	10 19
F	8		24		23	.....	10 48	11 21
S	9		25		24	.....	11 59	—
S	10		26		25	**iv. Sun. in Lent.** ..	0 45	1 33
M	11		27		26	.....	2 17	2 59
Tu	12		28		27	.....	3 37	4 8
W	13		29		28	.....	4 34	4 59
Th	14	2	1		29	.....	5 21	5 42
F	15		2		30	.....	6 1	6 20
S	16		3	Safar	1	.....	6 39	6 58
S	17		4		2	**v. Sun. in Lent.** St. Patrick. Limbang annexed, 1890. ..	7 16	7 34
M	18		5		3		7 50	8 6
Tu	19		6		4	.....	8 23	8 39
W	20		7		5	.....	8 55	9 13
Th	21		8		6	.....	9 32	9 52
F	22		9		7	.....	10 15	10 41
S	23		10		8	.....	11 12	11 45
S	24		11		9	**Palm Sunday.** ..	—	0 27
M	25		12		10	Annunciation. Lady Day. ..	1 13	1 59
Tu	26		13		11	.....	2 39	3 11
W	27		14		12	.....	3 42	4 6
Th	28		15		13	.....	4 27	4 47
F	29		16		14	**Good Friday.**	5 7	5 25
S	30		17		15	.....	5 41	5 57
S	31		18		16	**Easter Sunday.** ..	6 14	6 33

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